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EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

MEN'S CLUB GIVE THEIR FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET

ORGANIZATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT

Of the Race Along All Lines—Occasion Was Inspiring and Impressive—Mrs. Emma Pryor Entertains at Dinner.

Louisville Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Men's Club, an organization whose object is to bring about a better understanding among those who are interested in the educational, commercial, moral and religious affairs of the race, gave its first annual banquet on Friday last, in the parlors of the Plymouth Congregational church. It was a most representative gathering. Every religious body, every fraternal society, every profession and business among our people was there by proxy. There has probably never before assembled under one roof in this city so many men who have made themselves felt in their chosen avocations. During the social hour preceding the speech-making, the Western Union orchestra enlivened the occasion with overtures from the masters, and when the guests assembled around the board everybody was in the proper humor to enjoy, not only the viands spread by the dainty fingers of the ladies; but also, the postprandial oratory which flowed incessantly, interspersed with flashes of wit and humor that kept the table in a roar. Dr. E. D. Whedbee was the ideal toastmaster and the responses were each preceded by musical numbers, and all went well as the marriage bell until the orchestra struck up the old air "My Old Kentucky Home" when the bonquet hall resonded with the voices of all present. The scene was deeply inspiring and impressive, and will be long revived in the recollections of those who witnessed it. The program was as follows:

Rev. E. G. Harris, "The Brotherhood Movement."
Dr. W. T. Amiger, "The Price of Manhood."
Rev. Hannum, "The Church's Need of More Men."
E. C. Malone, "Should the Church Participate in Secular Affairs."
Alex Morris, "Kindly Speech."
W. H. Steward, "As a Layman Sees It."
W. H. Perry, "The Schools and the Church."
Rev. J. C. Anderson, "Church Unity."
Dr. W. T. Merchant, "Medical and Religious Support of Hospitals."

Among those present were: A. R. Morris, W. C. Peyton, Albert Wilhort, C. A. Smith, Jas. Brown, L. Hodges, Theo. Watson, C. B. Clay, P. A. Winlock, J. Roberts, C. Pendergras, Lee Brown, F. C. Dillon, D. C. Owens, Theo. Pruitt, E. G. Harris, E. D. Whedbeen, W. L. Ricks, Jno. Ray, Geo. Arnold, W. M. Phelps, B. Rowan, Rev. Lamer, A. S. White, Marshall Tayloe, H. A. Ward, S. O. Johnson, C. W. Houser, Alex Morris, G. W. White, Wilson Ballard, J. C. Anderson, Alexander Hannun, C. B. Allen, Rev. Nichols, W. T. Merchant, Isaac Black, N. R. Harper, W. C. Brown, Mr. Moody, Thos. R. Tate, W. T. Amiger, David W. Barnett, Mr. Watts, E. C. Malone, W. C. King, Ed Rogers, Henry Bell, W. Ealy, W. H. Perry, C. B. McClellan, Clarence Young, Thos. Young, W. D. Thomas, W. P. Welch, E. K. Jones, A. E. Meyzeek, A. C. McIntire, Jas. L. Tate, W. A. Robinson, Ned Huff, Thos. S. Parks, I. B. Taylor, M. Steele, C. H. Bullock, M. M. Littlejohn, Ed Hansberry, Henry Kalbert, T. L. Masterson, W. H. Steward, S. W. Jordan, J. H. Humes, Mr. Lindsey, Warner Mason, J. A. Emerson, C. W. Arrantz, T. A. Mason, Shelby Scott, Percy Lively, Earnest Lively, C. L. Jones, S. M. Gunn, Nat. Mayhu, Geo. Tutt, HMorace Spears, Tobias Jones, Geo. Perry, W. A. Rogers, Geo. Arnold, E. M. Foster. The speeches were creditable in every respect. Mr. Alex Morris fully met the high expectations of his hearers with his keen observations and close reasonings. Mr. E. C. Malone was the surprise of the evening with his happy speech. This meeting is the herald of better things for the negro in this community.

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The majority of the colored population of this city are certainly a patient and long-suffering people. Abused, cursed, despised, discriminated against, villified and set apart like lepers, yet wherever a poor white man wants to get a start in the world and is too trashy to secure the patronage and support of his own people, he institutes a little business for negroes only, and they rush to his support, enrich him and enable him to start a fine business for white people only—or perhaps, to have a little dingy place set aside for his colored friends.

Here in this city we have several fine restaurants owned and conducted by our own people, but very poorly supported, because there are a few white men running places for negroes. We have two very fine theaters controlled by colored men, yet a week ago our people deserted these playhouses to patronize a houss that charges colored people double the price, and with inferior accommodations offered to the whites. We have a number of well-educated lawyers who can present a case with intelligence and command the respect of the bar, yet our people—high and low alike—give all their business to white shysters who never read a law book. Many of thees lawyers use negro preachers, who by reason of their influence of negroes generally, are able to command the business of their flocks. The motto of these negroes is, "Whatever is white is right." They are willing to prefer the grin of one white man for a few days to the eternal pladits of the whole negro race. And by these means, that which was intended to make him a better man here and to save him hereafter, is used to work the greatest curse upon him.

One negro order, whose headquorters are in this city, and which boasts of a membership counted by thousands—all the money in its treasury being produced by the toil and sacrifice of black men—proposes to erect a large building at a cost of $35,000, and yet not one dollar goes to a negro contractor, mechanic or architect. The whole thing is being planned to enrich the members of labor unions that use every effort that can be effected to cut the negro off from employment of any kind but as a menial servant. The schools have been so badly demoralized by the sale of teachers' positions that in some instances we find people in high and responsible places who know absolutely nothing of the correct use of language, and who can barely read and write. We have groceries in which everything is kept that supplies human wants, yet are they unable to make any visible progress for lack of proper support. Our druggists and pharmacists are required to meet the standard of competency set forth by the state board, yet they stand idly behind their counters and watch the colored people flock into the white man's place down the street. These things arise among us as relics of the old slavery days, when the negro was taught to betray his fellow slave, and to give all he labored for to enrich him and his, and it requires much teaching and preaching to educate the average negro to the height of race unity, and that fellow-sympathy which alone can combine all forces in the great uplift.

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Mrs. Maria Truehart, well-known citizen of Jeffersonville, was laid to rest at Walnut Hill cemetery last week. Many friends from here were present at the funeral services.

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Messrs. Turner Boyd and Wm. Reed entertained Mr. Earnest Clark and company with a box party at the theater last week.

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Mr. Johnnie Neal, of 716 East Caldwell street, left Monday to visit the automobile show in Chicago.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Woodson, of 525 West Ormsby avenue, gave a six-course luncheon last week. The color scheme was pink and white. During the evening the party was treated to musical numbers on the harp and saxaphone, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. Woodson is the prince of entertainers, and with the assistance of his beautiful wife, they make the hours pass like minutes. Mesdames Murphy, Henry Gentry, Howard Newman, Willhoit, Lockhart, French, F. Bonner, D. Graves, Smith, T. Masterson, Messrs. J. Young, J. C. Brown, Sweeney, Holton and Rhodes were present.

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Mr. Alonzo Churchill gave a banquet to a number of his friends last week.

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On February 14, Valentine Day, the Pastime Pleasure Club will hold its meeting, at which time all members are expected to be present.

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Some persons in this city have made the remarkable discovery of a real live comedian in the person of Mr. Silas Adams. He is known as "His Honor the Barber," and is supposed to have been the first musician who played "The Barber Shop Chord."

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Mrs. Georgia Shipley, hair dresser and manicurist, has been so busy during the week of the "Smart Set" that she may be compelled to take the rest cure.

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Mrs. Emma Pryor gave a seven-course dinner at the Keystone restaurant Friday evening. Those present were Mesdames Harriet B. Hockens, Nellie Brewer, Tea Brookins, J. B. Crutchfield, Courtney Mayor, Emma Ralston, Lena Crutchfield and B. K. Bridges.

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The Misses Etta Barbour and Dora Weston, having spent several pleasant weeks in the city, left Monday for their home in Winnipeg, Canada.

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Miss Lottie Mitchell, of 438 South Seventh street, has been called to Greenville, Ky., on account of the illness of her mother.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Ball was buried this week from the home of her son, M.r James Ball, on West Chestnut street. Mrs. Ball was a woman of remarkable character, who lived a long and sueful life and passed away beloved by all who knew her. She was nearly ninety years of age, and left three children and a number of grand and great grand children.

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Mrs. Alex Smith, of Forest, has gone to visit her parents at Versailles, Ky.

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Mrs. W. H. Johnson has opened the Little Savoy Restaurant at 827 West Walnut street.

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Mr. Alfred Bibb, of baseball fame, has been elected secretary of the colored league, recently organized in Chicago.

THE STATE INSPECTOR AT LOUISVILLE, KY.

The state inspector visited our home, December 10, 1910. It will be of interest to the members of the Kentucky Home Society to know that the report speaks in the most commendable terms of Dr. Parrish, the president, and Mrs. Allen, the secretary; then states that "this, like the Kentucky Children's Home Society, is a work equally as commendable and should have the sympathy and co-operation of the good people of this commonwealth in the struggle of the colored people who are anxious to give aid to the destitute colored children, in order that their surroundings may be of pure and more wholesome character, and which means so much to the children.

Dr. Parrish and Mrs. Allen are worthy of the best commendation that can be given for their devotion and seemingly at first fruitless efforts to bring about this great reform in Kentucky. Every Christian colored man and woman in the State should give of their means in so far as they are able to do so, and especially their sympathy, to those who are laboring for the uplift of their race.

Until the past August (1910) the receiving home of the society had been at Dr. Parrish's residence, 847 Sixth street. Children were sent from there to Eckstein Norton School, Cane Spring, Ky., where they were kept temporarily or until they could be placed in homes.

Since August 1, 1910, they have occupied the two and one-half story building at 807 S. Sixth street, between York and Breckinridge streets. The building has ten rooms on the lower floor; five rooms are used for administration, dining hall and kitchen; the upper floors are used for sleeping purposes. The house is comfortable and will answer the present needs until the work has advanced, and this will soon follow, for the legislature at its last session recognized the needs and appropriated $5,000 to the society.

The work of the society in the past has been done under great difficulties, but with the assistance given by the legislature they have been able to produce some great results. The society has secured and cared for forty-eight children since receiving aid from the State, and as it has no school of its own, the children are being sent to the public schools and returned in the afternoon.

Mr. Merimee examined the receipts and disbursements and found they had properly accounted for the amounts received and expended. He found all vouchers, and went through them and reported to me that the money had been well handled—nothing purchased except what was needed. Those connected with the institution are substantial colored citizens, who are anxious to further the work.

Respectfully submitted,
McKINZIE TODD,
Inspector and Examiner,
Frankfort, Ky.

THE HINDERING HAND

No Jim Crow Sleepers for Kentucky.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY—INTERESTING SOUTH BEND NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Ladies' Home Circle of the A. M. E. Church gave a thimble social at the home of Mrs. A. W. Price, on South Scott street, Thursday afternoon. A sum was given as a silver offering to help the building fund of the A. M. E. Church.... The friends of Mr. J. Davis and wife regret to lose them from their mdist. Mr. Davis returns to Detroit to accept a position as second waiter at the Fellowcraft Club....Mrs. G. E. King has returned to her home in Chicago, Ill., after spending the holidays with her cousin, Mrs. Wm. Manning, on Portage avenue. ....The St. P. Ruffin Club was entertained by Miss Medora Powell, of Mishawaka, and the O. D. T. Club was entertained by Mrs. James Baltimore, on South Main street....Mrs. Miller will continue her lectures to the ladies at the public library at 4 p. m., Sunday afternoons.... The Central Dancing Academy is putting on some new dances and meeting with great success....Miss Ella Bragg is convalescing at her home n Laporte avenue. ....The Afro-American Order of Owls will soon hatch a nest in Dayton, O.... Mrs. Solomon Nolen gave a very pretty birthday party at her home in Laporte avenue, last Tuesday afternoon....Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Clay have gone from Jacksonville, Fla., to Orlando, Fla., for the remainder of the winter....Mr. A. F. Walton has returned to his post at the Oliver, after a week's illness....Miss Elva Bruce has been confined to her home in South Laurel street with tonsilitis, but she is much better at this writing....Mrs. G. A. Bradley is much improved, after a serious attack of eye trouble....H. A. Randolph is much better since he has gone to his home in Virginia....Don't forget the Central Dancing Academy will have its next instruction February 9, 1911, at the La Salle Hall, East Washington avenue. Music by C. Pace and V. Smith....Any one wishing The Freeman should call on Wm. Manning, agent, Oliver Hotel....The St. P. Ruffin Club held a social session Wednesday afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. W. W. Anderson, 613 La Salle avenue. A very enjoyable time was had by those present.

A GRAND AFFAIR.

The Elite Entertained Royally at Sheffield, Ala.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wilson entertained Thursday night, January 26, at their home in Austin avenue, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wallice. This was one of the grandest events of the season. The ladies were handsomely gowned. The bride was attired in a lovely gown of polka dot silk, with lace trimming. Quite a number of the elite of the city were present. Wine, chicken salad and fruit punch were served by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Florence Nelson....Mrs. Jack Napeer spent Sunday in Decatur....Mrs. Mary Coin, wife of Rev. E. D. Coin, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, is in the city this week, visiting her husband....Rev. J. W. Pollard, presiding elder of the Tuscumbia district of the C. M. E. Church, held his first quarterly conference, Saturday and Sunday. It was a financial success....Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Williamson wish to thank their many friends for their kindness to them during the illness of their son Floyd, who departed this life January 12....Mr. Thos. Sanders died January 26, after several weeks' illness. Rev. T. N. White and Rev. Fred Wadkins conducted the funeral services....Mrs. Martha Jones departed this life after ten days of illness. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Florence. She had been a Christian for sixty-two years. She was converted at the age of nine years. The funeral services were held in Florence, at the First Baptist Church. Rev. L. J. Green, her pastor, and Rev. R. H. Haynes, pastor of the A. M. E. Church in Tuscumbia, conducted the services. She was laid to rest in the family lot in the Florence cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Knowles wish to thank their many friends for their kindness to them during the illness of their grandmother.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Spillers Musical Company, at the Princess, and Ervin Jones, at the Park Theater, last week, were guests at the Litttle Gem Hotel, W. C. Black, proprietor....Mr. and Mrs. Oscar, of Burke street, spent two weeks with relatives in Pittsburg and Charleston....The Gold Leaf Company D, U. R., K. of P., will give an entertainment and public installation in Foster's Hall Thursday evening, February 9. Tickets on sale by the members....Miss Frances Coffey and Frank Harris were quietly married at the home of the bride, in South Walnut street, Saturday evening. Rev. J. W. Cheatham officiated....The Oak Hill Avenue Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mrs. Hiram Simons, Mt. Pleasant, Thursday afternoon....Mrs. John Cromwell was called to Pittsburg, Sunday, by the illness of her daughter.

SHERMAN, TEX.

A Successful Entertainment by a Big Bunch of Local Talent.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Defiance Minstrels, under the management of Messrs. Ernest Johnson, Emory J. Douglass and Marshall Royal, with twenty-five people, all local talent, occupied the opera house last Friday night, and entertained a large and appreciative audience. The show opened with Mr. Charles Berry as interlocutor. His jokes were new and funny.

Among the beautiful songs sung were "You are a Dear Old World After All," by Mr. Joe Huntley; "Hold Me, Parson, Hold Me, I Feel Religion Coming On," by Mrs. Marshall Royal; "Who? Me?" by Mr. Marshall Royal.

The olio consisted of a beautiful duet sang by Mrs. M. Royal and Mrs. Emory Douglass entitled "When I Marry You."

Master George Washington Bates made several hits in his up to date songs.

The famous Royal Orchestra furnished some beautiful music for the entertainment.

The Masonic Silver Cornet Band, with the male part of the company visited the principal streets of the city.

The Defiance Quartet, composed of Messrs. Joe Huntley, Theodore Graves, Ellis Hudson and Ernest Johnson, sang some very sweet songs.

The company will make a northern Texas and Oklahoma tour.

FUNERAL OF BISHOP GRANT

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE HELD AT SAN ANTONIO

GONE FROM LABOR TO HIS REWARD

Beautiful Tributes Paid to the Departed Leader—Sermon Delivered by Bishop Tyree and Prof. Kealing Reads Obituary.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

DENISON Tex.—Sunday afternon at San Antonio, Texas, the body of Bishop Abraham Grant was laid to rest in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The floral offerings from all parts of the United States made of the grave a very flower garden, each one seeming to try to rival the other in beauty and in sweetness, and the fragrance of all combined ascending to the heavens, perfuming the path upon which the soul of the departed bishop rose as it went into the kingdom of its Master. If the soul of man ever clings to the body after death, the soul of Bishop Abraham Grant lingered to give a life-like look to his cold corpse. Surely there remained in that majestic body, until it was lowered into its grave and out of the sight of hundreds who were eager to gaze upon it, some connection with the God-power that gave it force and inspiration through life and a kingly appearance in death.

San Antonio is a city of beautiful flowers, and in the midst of winter, delightful weather greets the hundreds of tourists. But Sunday morning nature seemed to be in mourning and the clouds cast a pall of gloom; then as the day advanced and the hour of the funeral services drew nearer, the sun seemed to have consented to send forth its most beautiful rays and its warmth, in order that the day upon which the last mortal remains of the deceased bishop were consigned to Mother Earth, might be one of wondrous beauty and a fitting climax of a peaceful, sweet-tempered life, made great through a supreme faith in God; and made a sacred memory to his people, by years of honest labor in their behalf.

The funeral services were conducted by Bishop H. P. Parks of Chicago, presiding bishop of Kentucky and Tennessee, assisted by Dr. R. S. Jenkins of Texas. Because of their length the services were begun at 11 o'clock, the body having laid in state since the day previous at St. James A. M. E. church, which was at one time pastored by the deceased.

Bishop Evans Tyree preached the funeral sermon and Prof. H. T. Kealing, president of Quindaro College and editor of the A. M. E. Review, read the obituary of the life of Bishop Grant. "O'er Death Sea" the favorite song of the bishop, was sung by Rev. Wm. Peck, of Kansas City, Kansas. Various tributes to the character of the bishop were paid by many of the ministers with whom he had labored and over whom he had presided. Bishop Parks read messages of condolence from every state in the Union, including messages from President Taft, Governors Handley of Missouri and Stubbs of Kansas. The funeral ceremonies and burial were under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, Pythians and Masons. For the latter order he secured their charter in this state, and was the first grand master. On behalf of the Negro Masons of Texas, Dr. John W. McKinney of Sherman, Texas, the present grand master, delivered an eloquent eulogy on the life of the departed bishop as a man and Mason, painting in beautiful Masonic terms his works as a master craftsman.

The cortege was a long one, and as the last carriage left the cemetery, the setting sun marked the passing of another day and the final rest of a wearied laborer who had toiled long and well.

Bishop Grant was an ex-slave born while his parents and master were crossing Florida. From such an obscure birth came the Negro who rose to be respected by many great men of his day, and who occupied the highest office in the gift of his denomination, and was the most beloved churchman of his race. He received the friendship of all who knew him. Governors Hogg and Ireland of Texas gave him freely their co-operation and confidence, and the latter, when governor, at one time chartered a special train to send him to the seat of some racial disturbances. Due largely to his efforts, the Colored Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute of this state was erected.

The greater portion of his ministerial career was spent in Texas, and from here he was elected to the bishopric. His greatest church work was probably the real founding and placing on a business basis of the A. M. E. Church Extension Board. He also organized the Connectional Preachers Aid Society. The two last projects in which he was most interested: The Home for Aged Ministers at Colorado Springs, Col., and the erection of the John Brown monument.

At the Ecumenical Conference, where the Methodists of the world gather in September at Toronto, Canada, this former slave boy was to preside at one of the sessions, and on his death bed his only expressed wish for a prolonged life, was uttered when he stated that his only possible desire to further life was in order that he might fill his part on that program.

When as a runaway slave, he was seeking his freedom, he passed the very spot upon which Tuskegee Institute now stands. With Booker T. Washington he was a member of the Jeanes-Slater Educational Commission and he and Dr. Washington were close friends. The principal of Tuskegee, speaking at the funeral exercises in Kansas City, is quoted as saying: He was a wise and safe counsellor. In my moments of doubt I sought his sane advice; in my moments of despair I sought his cheer. Truly he was my dear friend.

At the funeral services conducted in Kansas City, Bishops Gaines, Coppin, Lee, Derrick and Shaffer and General Officers W. W. Beckett, Secretary of Missions, J. E. Caldwell, manager A. Y. P. C. E. and J. Hurst, general financial secretary, were present, but could not come to Texas. At San Antonio there were besides Bishops Parks and Tyree, Educational Secretary J. R. Hawkins, of Kittrell, N. C., Dr. J. R. Ransom, of Topeka, who was with the bishop when he died; Reverends A. A. Gilbert, St. Louis, Mo.; J. A. Greeggs, St. Joseph, Mo.; W. B. Brooks, Kansas City, Kan.; M. S. 2 Brayn, of Kansas. The above mentioned persons accompanied the bodies of the bishop and his wife from Kansas City. A special sleeper bore the delegation.

The floral offerings made St. James A. M. E. church, Rev. Young, pastor, resemble an Easter service. Hon. E. D. Burke, representing the lawmen of the Eighth Episcopal district, was present.

MACO, Texas.—With impressive services the body of Mrs. Abraham Grant was buried today. The interment was here at the request of her sister, Mrs. Josephine Denham. Many of the persons who attended the bishop's funeral at San Antonio, came immediately here to be present today. Mrs. Grant was first the wife of Bishop Armstrong, and after his death and that of her sister, Mrs. Grant, married Bishop Grant.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Great plans are made among the society set for the Jordan's msitress mystery banquet, which will be given at the K. of P. Castle Hall on February 8, 1911. Menus in sixteen courses will be served. This will be one of the first of its kind. $1.0 p0late supper will be specially prepared by Willie Jordan and Alex Laster, two of the best in the city. Willie Jordan, manager. Watch The Freeman.. ..The Uniform Rank 13, K. of P., entertained at their Castle Hall on North Coyle street last Wednesday night at a dance. Quite a large number of cards were issued. The atendance was very large. Everybody reported a very enjoyable time. S. Lieut. Thomas Francis, F. Lieut. C. Burnet, Sir Knight James Merritt, Sir Henry Wilkins, Captain Obie Lang, committee. Music was furnished by Collins' full orchestra....Mrs. S. Hamless entertained at home on North A street last Wednesday night. Quite a large number were present, and an enjoyable evening was spent....Miss Ella Lucas is quite ill at her home on North Reus street. It is hoped by her many friends that she will be out soon.. ..Mr. Judge Lee left last week for points in Mississippi and Louisiana, where he will visit for some time....Mr. Lee Blue died last week. Many friends attended the funeral services....Mr. William Scott, of West Government street, has been on the sicg list, but is out again....Mrs. H. L. Thomas, of Louisville, Ky., who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jordan, for the past few weeks, is now the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Thomas, at Morro Castle.. ..F. J. Robinson and T. S. Horton, delightfully entertained quite a number of the younger set at a dance at the K. of P. Castle Hall last Tuesday. Games and an enojoyable time was spent. Music by Barris orchestra....Pons. S. Sunday Construction Company and the D. J. Cunningham Real Estate Agency have moved on East Independence street....On Friday night, January 27th, the Douglas Literary Society of School No. 31, gave a social which was a very enjoyable affair. Quite a large number of the members and friends of the club were in attendance. The afternoon was spent in dancing and playing games, after which refreshments were served by the social committee....At the last regular meeting of the Douglas Literary Society the following officers were elected: Miss Inez E. Jordan, president; Miss Roy Surles, vice president; Miss Effie M. Irvine, secretary; Miss Allie L. Patterson, assistant secretary; Miss Lillian M. Hilton, chaplain; Mr. Armstead Thompson, Treasurer; Mr. Frank Gagnet, sergeant-at-arms.

By Walker W. Thomas.

MT. UNION, O.

The Twenty Century Club—Union Revival Closed.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Frank Stevens, of E. Gambier avenue, paid a visit to Circleville, O., last Friday....Mr. Albert Roy, of 104 W. Front street, has entered St. Francis Hospital, Columbus, O., to have an operation on his eye performed....The Twenty Century Club held its monthly coffee pour on January 23 a tthe residence of Mrs. J. Payne, N. Jefferson street. The club was entertained by Miss Bessie McGruder, and an excellent program was rendered. The club met with Mrs. Frank Stevens, January 31, and a delightful luncheon was served....Robert Goins, J. W. Hackley, Mrs. Charles Turner and Mrs. Van Johnson are still on the sick list....Howard Tate, who met with an accident at C. & G. Coper foundry, January 20, has returned to work....Miss Bessie McGruder has gone to Lima, O., to visit relatives....Rev. Chase, of the Soldiers' Home, Sandusky, O., preached Sunday morning at the Union meeting. His text was taken from Matthew, 19th chapter, verses 23 and 24....The union revival closed Thursday night, and much good was accomplished. Friday evening was a meeting devoted to speakers. On Thursday evening several brought lunches and ate together in the lecture room. A friendly feeling now exists among the churches as a result of the meeting.... Mrs. Alice Roy went to Columbus, O., on Saturday to visit her husband.

WEST BADEN, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Harry Bailey, of Chicago, is with his father, Henry Bailey, for an indefinite stay....Miss Lula Burks is on the sick list....Miss Emma Ashford spent the past week in Louisville, Ky., with her mother....Mr. George Waddy has returned from Chicago....Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Milligan entertained at whist on Tuesday night, January 24, in honor of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Force, of Louisville, Ky. They played whist until 10:30, then retired to the dining room, where luncheon was served. The table was beautifully decorated with potted plants. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. L. Beachum, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fitzgerald, Mrs. W. Potts, Mrs. Edna Crockett, Mrs. B. Hammond, Mr. J. Eddington, J. Wilson, J. Fryson, William Bell, R. Stevenson and G. M. Williams.

PIMPLES

"I tried all kinds of blood remedies which failed to do me any good, but I have found the right thing at last. My face was full of pimples and black-heads. After taking Cascarets they all left. I am continuing the use of them and recommending them to my friends. I feel fine when I rise in the morning. Hope to have a chance to recommend Cascarets." Fred C. Witten, 76 Elm St., Newark, N. J.

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good. Do Good. Never Sicken, Weaken or Gripe. 10c, 25c, 50c. Never sold in bulk. The genuine tablet stamped C C C. Guaranteed to cure or your money back. 922

MADAM McNAIRDEE

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Rawls and White orchestra played at the State Sanatorium of Tuberculosis January 16th for a dance given in honor of the state trustees....Elmer Goins won the prize at the skating rink last week. ....Mrs. William Jackson, of West Humantrak street, acidnetally swallowed a pin, which lodged in her throat. She immediately went to the Mt. Vernon Medical and Surgical Hospital, where Dr. Fisher succeeded in dislodging it, and no serious results are expected....Mr. and Mrs. M. Frank Goins, of Cottage street, entertained Wednesday, January 18th, in honor of Mrs. James Biddle and her daughter, Rachel, of Youngstown, O. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Newman, Mrs. Chas. Hollingsworth and son, Misses Ida and Mary Hackley, Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mrs. Gus Rawls, Mr. William Lewis and Mr. Chas. McGruder....Mrs. Biddle and daughter returned home Saturday, January 21th, after a three weeks' visit with relatives and friends....The Twentieth Century Club will entertain at their monthly coffee pour at the residence of Mrs. John Payne, of North Jefferson street, by Miss Bessie McGruder, and the following program was rendered: "Legends of Ohio," Mrs. Harry Latherus; "Mound Builders," Miss Bessie McGruder; "Red Man's Roads," Mrs. Chancy Mayle; "Pioneer Women," Miss Viola Simons. The club was entertained January 16th by Mrs. George Sites, of ast Chestnut street.... The Southern Serenaders, consisting of Miss Marie Dorsa, prima donna; Miss Helen Smallwood, contralto soloist; Mrs. May Ruff Johnson, pianist; Hillard Bird, Baritone; William Brown, tenor soloist; Gerald Millar, basso, and Jas. G. Gilliam, tenor cornet soloist, and managing director, spent Thursday, January 19th, in our city enroute to Utica, O.....A children's party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Newman in honor of the niece little Miss Rachel Biddle, of Youngstown, O., Friday, January 20th. Among the little folks present were Misses Gail Blake, Bessie Carter, Charlotte Highwarden, Virginia Jackson, Lillian Payne, Charlotte Copeland, Charley Blake, Howard and Ullen McGruder, Kenneth Payne, Chester Hollingsworth....Household of Ruth will give a valentine social at the Odd Fellows' Hall Tuesday evening, February 14th....Union revival services are still growing in interest. Thus far four have entered the Christian army. Unusual interest was manifested by the hearers in the series of sermons preached by the Rev. M. M. Toomey, on the general subject, "Hell," last week. The revival was continued all week. Rev. J. M. Tate preached Sunday, January 22nd, subject, "A Call from the Prison of Sin." Rev. M. M. Toomey preached in the evening.

IN MEMORY

Of the Late Lamented Bishop Abraham Grant.

The Colored Ministers' Union of Terre Haute, Ind., at its meeting on Monday, January 23, having heard with deepest sorrow of the death of Bishop Grant, D. D., one of the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, appointed a committee to draft the following resolutions:

A decree has gone forth and we ane only called upon to recognize it. The Negro race is called and drawn to-day by every sentiment of manliness to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of Bishop Abraham Grant, who stood before his church and race as an example of Christian manhood.

The life that has just closed was wonderful, unselfish and pure. When he entered the church of his choice his utterances were those of the soul which developed as he increased in years in corresponding proportions.

Our lives are richer for having known him, his church the larger and more complete by his administration, and the race's interests better cared for because of the efficient service he rendered.

Bishop Grant will not live only in the heart and mind of the great church he loved so well, but also in the hearts of all men who knew him. Therefore, be it Union of Terre Haute extend to the nearest of kin of the deceased, to the A. M. E. Church and the race in general, its sincerest sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That we ever strive to keep before the youth the true greatness of our departed leader, the depth from which he came and the height to which he rose as an incentive to those of us who tread the more humble paths to have undaunted courage and a true and honest purpose, and the possibility of ascending to creditable heights; be it further

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father in this sad hour and that copies of these resolutions be sent to the press.

W. HENRY SNOWDEN,
J. L. CRAVEN,
W. D. SHANNON,
Committee.

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MOBILE, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We are now in the fourth week and are getting along nicely. We have carefully filled our three weeks' engagement and the patrons are urging Uncle Ward, our manager, to hold us longer. Our team is composed of Hamilton and Sperment. We have three eweks at the Duval Theater, Atlanta, Ga., then eight weeks at the Famous Theater in the same city. Best wishes to our friends.

ITEMS OF RARE INTEREST.

Three thousand farmers, ministers, teachers and workers among the colored residents of the South atended the recent Tuskegee conference. The farm was the theme. Practical lessons were given on the various phases of farm life.

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The paintings of Henry O. Tanner, the Negro artist, are on exhibition at the Corcoran Art Gallery, Washington, D. C., where they have created much interest. The colored people are taking more interest in viewing the pictures than usual.

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As the result of an opinion handed down the other day by Judge Sanford, of the United States court for the middle district of Tennessee, the question of "Jim Crow" cars in the south may be reopened before the interstate commerce commission and their disconinuance ordered.

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The West segregating ordinances of Baltimore has inconvenienced so many white people that an amendment is being suggested. Harry Cummins, the Negro councilman, has been approached, but he insists on an unconditional surrender. The whole business threatens to fall owing to complications now setting in.

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Lincoln University, Chester county, Pa., has 136 students in the college and 50 in the theological seminary; all of these are taught by twelve professors and three instructors. The grounds and buildings are worth $250,000, and the endowment is a little over $60,000. Lately an electric plant has been added, and a new pipe organ.—The Crises.

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Parents of several Negro children of Quincy, Ill., have complained of segregation, and have withheld their children from school. In a justice court recently a fine of $10 was assessed for such a misdemeanor. An appeal was taken and attorneys from Chicago have been employed to carry the case to the state supreme court, if necessary.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—By the terms of the will of Bishop Abraham Grant of the African Methodist Church, which was filed in Wyandotte County, Kansas, the greater part of his estate, amounting to $100,000, was bequeathed to two Negro educational institutions, the Payne Theological Seminary of Wilberforce, O., and the Paul Quinn College of Waco, Tex. The estate consists principally of real estate in Indiana and Texas.

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The Texas Medical Association, which recently held convention in Austin, saw a demonstration on the part of the white physicians which was extraordinary for the section. When the time came for giving clinics the Austin sanatarium, white, opened its doors to the colored physicians. Dr. I. C. Westmoreland, eye, ear and throat specialist of Nashville, Tenn., performed three operations. Drs. Bluitt, Crary Bryant and Hamilton also performed operations. The officers of the Texas Medical Association are Dr. J. R. N. J. Atkinson of Grenville, president; Dr. W. F. Crawford of Austin, vice-president; Dr. R. T. Hamilton of Dallas, secretary, and Dr. A. E. Hughes of Clarksville, treasurer.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Progress at the National Training School.

Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, A. M., president of the National Training School for Girls, reports very gratifying progress in the work of her school. Since January 1, many pledges for the new $50,000 building have been coming in in sums varying from $5.00 to $25.00, and Miss Burroughs expects to have at least $10,00 pledged and in sight within the next thirty days. Some of the generous donors have been Rev. J. E. Ford, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Rev. E. J. Fisher, of Chicago; Mrs. J. M. Escoe, of Kansas, and others. Miss C. McMillian, a student from North Carolina, brought up a supply of sweet potatoes, peas and preserves, and a party of Cincinnati friends, through Mrs. Fannie White, are preparing to send a barrel of sugar and have already sent money to pay for a horse. A white friend recently sent money for two cows and book cases. A number of friends are sending postage stamps to help on the correspondence, which as everyone knows, is a big item of expense. Miss Burroughs says there are 20,000 people in this country, who are interested in this work, and who will give at least $5.00 each before her campaign comes to a close.

Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, of the teaching force, is in Texas. She is planning to go to Africa in the near future. Mrs. Lulu M. Jackson is in Florida. Miss M. M. Kimball, now at the school, teaching her branches, is to give a portion of her time to field work this spring. Mrs. Mapleson and Mrs. Baker, representatives of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, visited the Training School this week, and expressed great surprise at the wonderful progres that isf being made. Miss Burroughs goes to Pittsburg shortly to speak at the Ebenezer Baptist church, and will start on her Southern trip in March, after the weather gets settled. Visitors are always welcome at this splendid institution at Lincoln Heights.

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Odd Fellows' Journal to Move Here.

It is now definitely stated that the plant of the *Odd Fellows' Journal* is to be moved to this city, the home of Editor and Manager Henry P. Slaughter. The change is generally approved, and the hope is expressed that Mr. Slaughter will not only make the *Journal* a fraternity paper, but that he will pay a much-needed attention to the local news field. The press gang extends to the *Odd Fellows' Journal* the "glad hand."

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Dedication of Varick Memorial Church in Quaker City.

Dr. J. S. Jackson, financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion connection, passed through the city this week, enroute to the South. He is to stop over at Salisbury and Charlotte, N. C., and next Sunday will preach the dedicatory sermon for Dr. W. L. Hamblin at Tuscaloosa, and will perform a like service on the following Sunday for Dr. J. F. Moreland at Birmingham, Ala. After this he will attend the Board of Zion Bishops and the joint session of the commissioners representing the three principal branches of Negro Methodism, to discuss an organic union or federation. Dr. Jackson has some pleasant surprises for his brethren in his annual financiol report.

Dr. aJckson announces that on Sunday, March 5, the great Varick Memorial church ot Philadelphia is to be dedicated with extraordinary ceremonies. Dr. B. T. Washington has consented to deliver the dedicatory address on this occasion, and eminent ministers and race leaders from all parts of the country are expected to be present. The committee on arrangements is made up of Rev. G. W. aGines, chairman; Rev. J. S. Jackson, secretary; Bishop J. S. Caldwell, Bishop G. L. Blackwell, and Rev. W. H. Coffey. A long list of honorary vice presidents has been prepared and will soon be made public. Dr. Washington is a strong friend of the Zion church, and it is stated that he readily gave his consent to speak for the church on this unusually auspicious occasion.

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Howard Students and President Thirkield "Standing Pat."

There are no new developments in the case of the students of the Georgetown and the eGorge Washington Universities who refused to attend the lectures of Dr. William A. White at the Government Hospital for the Insane because of the admission of colored medical students from Howard University. Dr. White insists that his time will not permit him to give more than one lecture, and he is giving that to the students who come to his class to hear him. The colored students of the medical department of Howard continue to attend the lectures, and along with them, making no complaint, are the members of the Army Medical School, made up of the flower of the United States Army. The white university boys continue to hold out, and the school authorities say they are powerless to force them to go out to hear Dr. White. In the meantime the bushes are being beaten to find a lecturer of Dr. White's caliber to talk to the white on "mental disorders." Little is being said in the daily papers, for the subject is a "delicate one" in this neck of the woods, but there is a great deal of snickering being done on the quiet among both races over the predicament in which the white boys are finding themselves over a matter too little to have caused all of this foolish commotion. It is being argued that men of the best Southern families attend Harvard and Yale and work along with the colored men, without the slightest friction and with no loss of caste at home.

"Surely, the social standing of these fellows at home must be of the flimiest kind to be hurt by breathing the same air with a score or so of colored students once a week in a big hall," remarked a well known white professor this week. "These hot-headed youngsters will be oshamed of themselves when they are older."

President W. P. Thirkield, of Howard University, has steadily upheld the dignity and manhood of his students, and his attitude from the start has commended itself to the thinking people of both races here. He has counselled silence; has urged them to go ahead with their studies and set an example in dutiful attention to their work, leaving all attempts at disorder or confusion to others. In short, President Thirkield and his young men have simply "stood pat." They are clearly within their rights and they are masters of the situation. They have nothing to quarrel about. The "kick," if any is to be made, is up to the other fellows. Dr. White is employed by the government, and he sees no reason why he should not lecture to whomsoever tht proper authorities place before him. He is likewise "standing pat."

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It seems queer that Washington does not maintain a first-class local Negro Business League. Now that all of the discordant elements have been gotten rid of, there is no reason why the commercial and professional forces should not get together and make the league a power in the community. Lawyer Robert Lewis Waring is president of the local league, having defeated W. Calvin Chase for the honor last summer by an overwhelming majority. Since that time Chase has not appeared at a meeting. With Chase and the row-raising spirit of "Chase-ism" eliminated, the solid business men have a chance to build up a creditable organization.

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The resident manager of the New Howard Theater is Fred Falkner, a young man of rare tact and who is absolutely free from taint of race prejudice in his dealings with ou rpeople. He greets all classes with uniform cordiality and does his level best to serve them satisfactorily. His able corps of assistants is made up of L. A. Rice, treasurer; Miss F. L. Tyan, assistant treasurer; William H. Vodery, musical director; Lew W. Henry, stage manager, and O. L. Garrett, electrician. All of the employees named, except Mr. Rice, are colored, and it is the inflexibel policy of the house to utilize colored help in every capacity where the race can supply the right persons.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Up and Doing—A Progressive People—Parties, Clubs, Etc.

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Among other musicians of our city, are the following persons, who are moving to the top: Mrs. J. W. Kirk, Mrs. Mazie Mallory, Mrs. Ida McCree, Mrs. A. H. Kinniebrew, Mrs. Edward Moore, Mrs. Reveris....Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Banks and family are residing on Lincoln avenue. He has his paperhanging rooms on South Main street....Mr. Edward Bronum is very ill at his writing....Mr. Barnett is also a Sunday school teacher, and Mrs. Medora Bryant is superintendent of the Mt. Emery Baptist Sunday school....The Social Domestic Club met recently with Mrs. J. W. Kirk, on West Edgmond street, and was royally entertained....The moving picture exhibition and concert held at the Second Baptist church on Friday night, January 20th, was largely attended, and was quite a success. The participants were Misses Eva Triplett, Vivian Reed, Mr. D. D. Thomas. They were assisted by Mrs. H. A. Jackson. Clyde Jackson sang an excellent solo....Miss Mary Gaines has one of the largest classes which she teaches at the Mt. Emery Baptist church....Mrs. Laura Lafayette is teacher of the primary class at Mt. Emery Baptist Sunday school. ....Mr. Clay Mallory, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting friends....Miss Brown, one of the nurses at Dr. A. H. Kinnielbrew's sanitarium, has a room at the residence of Mrs. M. C. Clark, 514 South West street, for about two months....Mr. Curtis Raymond, of St. Paul, Minn., left recently after a pleasant visit....Mrs. Anna Robinson Hatcher left recently after a pleasant visit with her mother and sisters and other friends. She left for Chicago....Rev. Mohamet, of South Afirca, passed through our city recently and stopped over at revival meetings.... Mrs. Florence Frizzer, of Peoria, Ill., has returned home after visiting her sister, Mrs. L. B. Fountain, of South Church street....Mrs. Lida Moore has a large class at the Mt. Emery Baptist church, that is expecting to graduate Easter Sunday....The Friday Art Club met recently with Mrs. Medora Bryant, of Lurton street....There will be a good grand masquerade ball at the K. P. hall, February 14th, given by Pierson and Brown.... The Whist Club met recently with Mrs. W. M. Parrish, of South Main street.... The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Johnson, of South Lafayette street, is slowly improving from her illness....Little Lenora Fountain is doing some excellent work in music....Mrs. Nellie Taylor left recently for her home in Omaha, Neb....Among the sick are Mrs. Annie Wilson, Fred Stewart and Mrs. Jenkins.....Roy McCalister is now working in Alton, Ill....Rev. Carter, of St. Paul, Minn., passed through our city enroute to St. Louis, Mo....Mrs. Sallee and Mr. Govand were married recently. Both are well known and highly respected and very industrious. They will reside in Jacksonville. Ill.

DECATUR, ILL., NOTES

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. W. C. King is the mother of a fine baby boy....The change in the weather has brought much sickness during the past week. Among them are Mrs. B. F. Cousins, Mrs. Maggie Winn, Miss Lorine Blanton and Mrs. Henry Clay, who was taken to the hospital to undergo an operation....Mrs. Thompson received word from Paducah, Ky., that her father was dead. She was confined to her bed and not able to attend his funeral....Mrs. H. C. Buster has gone to Chicago to visit friends for a few days. From Chicago she will go to Philadelphia, to visit her aunt for about two weeks....Mr. Hugh Wilson was indisposed for a few days last week, from a slight attack of rheumatism....Mr. Joshua A. Jacobs was unanimously endorsed by the colored citizens of this city for the office of assistant supervisor at the meeting held in Travers hall a week ago. We hope good results will follow....St. Peters A. M. E. church held a successful rally day last Sunday ....Miss Liby Long has been ill for some time....Mrs. Estella Harrel spent Sunday in the city with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cecil. Also Mr. R. A. Cecil, of Chicago....Mrs. Aiken, formerly of New York City, has orrived in the city, where she will make her home.

MOBILE, ALA., DOTS

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. J.W. Woods, pastor of State Street A. M. E. church, left the city last Wednesday, January 18th, for New York. From there he sails for Africa. The doctor will be gone for about four months. He will be ther studying conditions of the people in the distant lands and will no doubt brink back information that will be worth while hearing. He sails on the 28th on Hamburg-Bremen line....Mr. and Mrs. Manning, of Chicago, Ill., who have been spending sevearl days in Mobile, being called on a very sad mission of death of Mr. J. H. Tobin, the father of Mrs. Manning....Mr. Geo. Hall and Miss Rowena Horney were married Wednesday, January 18th, at the home of the bride....Mr. Toxey Harney was in the city attending the wedding, coming from New Orleans, La....Rev. A. J. Rogers will have charge of the State Street church during the absence of Dr. Woods....Capt. Lieper has all good wood he can supply his customers now....You may get copies of The Freeman at Gulf City Drug Store, 512 Congress and Davis avenue.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

The visit to Paducah of the Hon. S. Stewart was short, but appreciated by all who heard him speak. This distinguished gentleman creditably filled the A. M. E. Church's pastoral chair, Sunday night. We hope to hear Dr. Stewart again.... Mr. Steve Jordan hos left Ogilvie's Store and accepted a position in Indianapolis, Ind. Luck to you, Steve....Mr. Clem Thomas, of West Washington street, is improving, after several weeks' illness... Revival is soon to begin at the A. M. E. Church. Rev. Nichols is pastor in charge.

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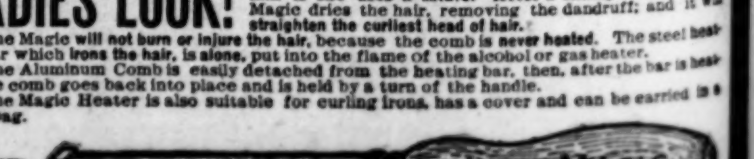

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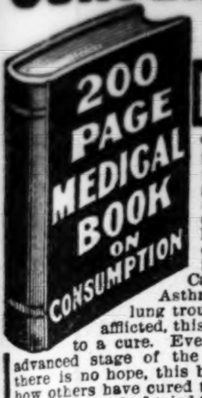

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Our Young Men and Their Duty to the Race and Humanity.

BY PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

Today the world is full of vital questions. We are waking up to the fact that we have duties, both as individuals, communities and races. These duties are appealing to us. They press upon us. We face them at every turn. We cannot avoid them. We cannot shirk them, and for the good of humanity and self as well, we are all growing keenly alive to the fact that we ought not try to shirk them, and that we must not shirk them.

Perhaps among all the questions that come up before the thoughtful and serious man of today there are none more vital than those pertaining to the young people of the present age. In fact, we are reminded continually by many things that the present is the age of youth—it is the day for the young—and this is especially true of the young men.

Now, it has been said that Dr. Osler would have all men above 65 put painlessly out of existence, as men are then no longer fit to take any further part in the world's struggles. He has denied the saying, and says he has been misunderstood. But, at any rate, we do know there is a growing tendency to push the old men aside and make them give place to youth.

It is not at all my purpose here to discuss the wisdom of such a proceeding, other than to say that judgment in the affairs of the world is just as much needed today as ever, and perhaps more so, because of the complex problems of life that abound everywhere; and that judgment comes only through experience and maturity. It does not spring full blown in any individual, though the old heathen's mythology do describe the goddess of wisdom as springing from the head of Jupiter. That would do for the ancients to believe, but will not apply today.

No; wisdom, I repeat, must come from experience and maturity of years. So, thoug hthe old man may be pushed aside and the young man crowd him closely, the chief concern of the world, I think, is to find out whether the right work is being done by the young alone. We are told that in Biblical times Rehoboam made a great mistake along this line. He sought the counsel of the young men and ignored the wisdom of the elders, and as a result the kingdom was split and eventually went to ruin. Are the young men of today fitted to do the world's work alone? We venture to say they are not. But we are concerned to know whether they are fitted even by aid of counsel, or when they reach manhood, and stand each as a man among men. The youth is to become a citizen and a voter. He is to wield an influence either for good or evil. He is to make or mar the reputation of the community in which he lives, or of the race of which he forms a part. In short, the youth of today, because of this, is a very prominent factor in the making of the nation at large.

This being the case, it seems to me that the vital question up to us as a people is: What is the Negro boy doing with himself today? For he is either to be our salvation as a race, or the instrument that will weigh us down in the struggle we are making for higher things.

Every city and town is alive to this "boy question;" every educational association is wideawake concerning juvenile delinquency and degeneration and methods for checking the same. Reform schools, industrial schools, juvenile courts, are all taking a hand in studying how best to meet and solve this boy problem which present-day life seems to force upon our notice; for the boy of today is in many respects different from the boy of some years ago.

Now, if the world at large is so awake to the necessity of studying the present-day boy, his life, his motives, his ambitions, his purposes, so that he may be helped into a noble, useful manhood, we, as a race, cannot afford to be idle. It becomes a new Negro problem—and really the problem most worthy of our individual attention.

Look at the Negro boys of today as a whole. Life in the cities is appealing to them in many ways that eventually lead to ruin. Their ambitions are ranging as high as they should range. Love of ease, a good time, plenty of money and good clothes are the ideals with far too many, to say nothing of lower aims which lead straight as an arrow to a low life.

Now, we all know that we really are what our thoughts make us. So the question resolves itself into another: About what is the Negro boy thinking? I have answered it in part, by telling what so many chiefly desire in this world. Our desires are governed by our thoughts. The boy that lets his thoughts dwell on money and pleasure is very apt to step out of the right path to obtain money and have the pleasures. He is most apt to drift along with his desires. This is also shown by the fact that, if he desires something on a higher plane of life, he struggles and reaches for it until he has it in his grasp.

Our boys, then, must be made thoughtful. They must learn to turn to books and proper companioship for this food for thought. They must develop along this line properly, or their untrained feelings, urged on by improper thoughts, will lash these young people into actions that will soon place them among criminals. For this reason, the Negro boy should be the special study of the Negro people of thought. Our boys are surrounded by many temptations and associations that make it especially hard for them to break away, even if they desire to; and poverty and prejudice help to keep them under these influences. They need, then, strength of character, to give them experience and the maturity necessary to make them the strong reliable men of the future.

Now, what then shall be done for our boys that they may be thus strengthened?

I want to speak of some things that may be attempted, at least.

It is hardly necessary to say that we ought to begin with the parents, for that is evident. Weak government at home is the starting point of many a boy's downward career.

Some would say it is chiefly bad companionship. But I would reply that strong, wise home government will have much to do with the companionships formed, good or bad.

The old Chinese idea of obedience and respect to parents is a basic thing in education, and we can learn things from China, no matter how enlightened we thnik we are.

The boy that has learned to obey his parents and respect their authority has taken the first step toward true greatness. When the boy does not like to be at home—there is something wrong somewhere, and it is a wise thing to see if the home is wrong before blaming the boy too much. Home life must be attractive if the boy is to like home.

Boys are led by attractions, and today the homes have something to do to compete with outside attractions. There must be cleanliness and tidiness, but not so much as to make a boy's mud and dirt a sin or a crime. There must be goodness, but it must not be made a tyranny or offensive. There must be sympathy and appreciation for the boy nature and all its weaknesses and faults. And parents should feel the responsibility of bringing up a boy right. At home they boy should get his first ideas of right and duty, and wise training will give this. But we know that conditions surrounding many homes leave the boy a prey to all evil influences. It is an unfortunate thing for a boy when both parents, or the only parent, as the case may be, must toil away from home most of the time. Home then ceases to be a home, and becomes only a place to eat and sleep—a mere shelter that cares only for the body, and perhaps only partially for that, and lets the mind and soul go begging for something to feed upon. When the boy has to go out from home to find something for his higher nature to feed upon he is often misled and gets only asks of evil instead.

If the child is to be started right, he must have a home influence of the right sort—he must have it somewhere and somehow.

The young man who has a good home is blessed. He should turn to it, care for it, be proud of it, and make himself worthy of it. He should keep the thought of home as an incentive to do the right things, to live the right life, to keep out of temptation, to avoid evil, to keep self-respect.

When Geo. Washington bowed low and took off his hat to an old colored man and was chided for it, he taught a lesson of self-respect to everyone in his reply. He said, "I will never let anyone be more polite than I am." Now, the young man should cultivate self-respect all along. Never let others outdo him in self-respect, I would say to every youth. The value of self-respect is immeasurable in forming character, and by self-respect I do not mean the vanity or egotism that makes one feel he is a little bigger and better than anyone else in the world. Self-respect does not mean that. It does mean that attitude of mind that leads one to consider himself in duty bound to act and speak and think that he may have no cause to be ashamed of himself.

I would rather see a young man with such self-respect than to see him with learning alone; for such self-respect will eventually lead him to wisdom and learning as it develops.

But the world cannot go into the homes and make fathers and mothers do what they should. It can only advise and entreat for the best of home conditions, and in this advising it calls to aid in this respect the various societies that help to uplift; and we are thankful that the Negro is not behind in entering this field, which has for its aim the bettering or social conditions among our people, beginning with the homes.

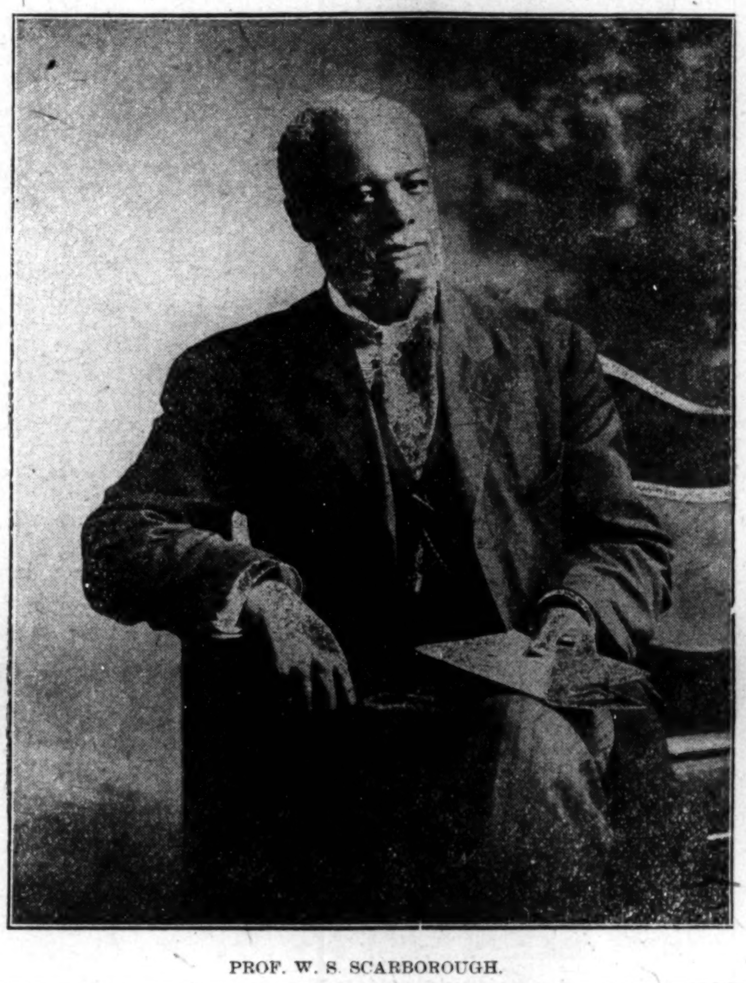
Next comes the school influence. I would have every youth consider that it is a privilege to go to school. It is through education that character-building goes on, and that is the best education which has aim and purpose and method, as well as breadth. We find this education in our schools, and by far too many of our boys are out of the schools today. I know what the general tendency is—to leave and get to work—sometimes through actual necessity, sometimes through a supposed necessity. I cannot stop here to discuss why so few Negro boys comparatively are in high schools and colleges, or in business. The general reasons are discussed in every educational circle, but I know we have too many idle boys, who are neither at work or in school, and I know that Satan is still at his old business of finding mischief for them.

What is the race to do if the boys and young people are going to turn their backs upon mental training altogether and gives themselves entirely to industrial work, because, as they say, they must earn a living? To earn a living is a good thing, but that is not all of life. There is a spiritual side to our natures—an intellectual one. Then, too, there is no excuse for devoting one's self exclusively to industrial work. We want both higher learning and industrial training. Then we should put both to practical use. Look at the foreigners who crowd our cities. See how eager they are to learn and see what our schools have to teach them. Turn to the night schools that our Boards of Education everywhere are setting up in cities and towns of every size. It is the age of opportunity for young people, I repeat, and the trouble with the young people today seems to be that they are too unconscious of the value of opportunities. They like to drift, to depend on chance, and, as a rule, they have no definite aim in life, no purpose to steady them as they go.

The church is another strong influence that should reach out its hand for the salvation and the upbuilding of the youth.

There is always hope for the young men who are church-goers. But churches should have the right men in the pulpits—men who can attract the young and hold them, men whom young men can respect and to whom they will listen and turn for advice. Every agency of the Negro church should be active in helping the Negro boy.

So I say that today our young men should respect home authority, should crowd the schools that offer so much, should attend the church, should work in the day with hand if necessary, but take every opportunity of working at night with the head, then so as to help the hand to greater skill and finer expertness.



PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

We need especially to have our boys and young men stirred with ambition. It is all we have as a race to look forward to—this great desire to reach some worthy ideal. We would not be where we are today if the youth of four decades ago had not been filled with yearnings to rise and do great things. We may not have achieved astonishingly great things, but the ambitions of the youth of these early decades of our free history as a people have constituted the potent motive in helping us to the present plane of wealth, of intellectual development, of general progress.

It is not going to do for the boys of the present day to lag behind those of that day. Opportunities then were comparatively few, ignorance was rense, there were many discouragements; but pluck, ambition, determination, led many a body to study hard and reach eminence.

I think the boys then felt they must do something, that they must climb high, that it would not only be for their own pleasure and delight to rise, but that it was a duty to do so. They felt the progress of a race depending upon their efforts.

That is the feeling that should inspire the youth of today—to wish to be of service to the race.

Now, duty is always held by some young people as a most disagreeable thing—something so unattractive as to lead them to turn away from the idea. This is a wrong spirit. Altogether duty is one of the finest things to develop character that the world holds, and instead of being repelled by it, we ought to welcome it, follow it. What we ought to do is something that we know is the thing to do, and then we should do it.

The young men—these boys growing up around us—all must be made in some way to wake up to the fact that they owe a duty to their God, to themselves, and to the race. And this duty calls upon them daily and hourly with a still small voice to make the most of themselves, to become men in the highest sense, to despise evil and its walks and ways.

We do not want vigorous youth to become merely good. We know youth wants activity, and we should only seek to direct that activity into proper channels.

It is not honorable activity to spend one's time in mere sport, in play, in useless things; but it is honorable activity to do something that will count in the world's work.

We have too many idlers, who should be doing something that will engage mind or hand, or both. We cannot afford to increase this number. We must diminish it. They should hunger and thirst after knowledge—knowledge of men, knowledge of books, knowledge of things, knowledge of affairs. There is really no justifiable excuse for a young man remaining in ignorance. Our young men must show more determination, more grit, more purpose.

Not a mail passes without bringing to my desk an appeal for help to finish an education. It speaks well for those who send these appeals, but when all cannot be definitely furnished with work, I have this to say which is a truth well known: "So much rests with the boy. If he is determined to have his education, he is not going to let such a matter as present lack of something to pay his board and tuition to stop him; he is not going to falter because he can receive no definite promise of money, but he is going to push forward and find a niche for work that will help him on; he is going to 'make good,' as the saying goes, through his persistent industry, courage and determination, and in the end that boy is going to succeed."

I can tell my young friends that the race leans too much—it must learn to stand alone, to walk alone, to run alone, to climb alone. The boys must be more manly. A desire to be manly is an incentive to this duty boys owe the race, and to show that manliness by evidencing less of the begging spirit is a necessary thing.

It is a duty to try to live on a high plane in all things. Clean food and clean clothes do not count for much if clean morals do not accompany them. Young man hood needs to look to its morals. It cannot gamble, drink liquor or practice other vices and respect itself, or do its duty by the race.

If I could have the voice of a Senator I would sound a clarion call throughout the race to our boys and young men, to wake up and follow the path of duty that we may not lose in the march upward, where we have to strive so strenuously to keep pace and step with progress.

Do our young men know what it means if they are to let down the standard by letting down their own ambitions, by lowering ideals? I can tell them it means decline, it means degeneration, it means death to all our hopes.

Thank God, there are young men who are alive to this, young men who, by their societies—secular and religious—are striving to uplift themselves and lay hold of other young men and lead them on to better things.

But I beg that we hold to the idea of education—that we strive to fill the minds with noble thoughts, that we may get noble actions and noble lives.

Let us aim to lure and push all these boys and young men of ours into some sort of learning—something that will occupy their minds and incite them to highest service.

Some one has said that the average boy's horizon is bounded on the north by his sports, on the south by his friends, on the east by his prospects and on the west by his ambitions. Let us accept this interpretation of our boys' outlook upon life, and through it let us try to lead them to higher things.

Let us watch the sports; let us try to provide proper sports and keep the youth from criminal things; then his north side will be protected. Let us watch the companionship side of the question. Let us see if the boy has chosen well or ill, and why the choice. Let us strive to convert the "gang," getting at the bottom of that spirit that leads boys to hang together in everything, and make it serve us in inducing them to hang together in the things they ought to do. His south side will then be reinforced.

Let us help him to see prospects that are full of allurement along right channels, and we have him bounded securely on the east; and then let us help him to fine visions, to high ideals, until, as one expresses it, he has the full idea of what life means, and the idea of being of service to his race shall dominate him as his character is being formed. When this is done, and his west side well guarded, the position of the boy, of the young man, is impregnable. He is surrounded by fortresses and becomes a very fortress of strength in himself, a joy to his own young manhood and to his friends and his people.

I tell you, my friends, if our young men of to-day, our boys of to-day, will only stop and think, will only gird themselves for the task, we can make a future that is most enviable. "To will is to do," is no idle saying. But our young men must do the getting ready now. Now is the day of preparation; now is the time of opportunity.

I would say to them all: Crowd the schools, day and night; reach out and take learning wherever it may be found; fill up full with inspiration; be sure there is no moral shortage in the make-up; reach high for the things that are desirable; let nothing daunt or discourage. Remember that it is for the race and the future. Understand that to live simply for a selfish individual pleasure is low and mean. Make every movement count; waste no energy of any kind. Consider idleness a sin.

It is true that the path of duty is the way to glory, and let Wilson's words become your motto: "Let the word Duty seem to be the biggest word in the world, and let it be uppermost in all serious doings." And all this counts for success.

So, to the young men and boys I send this closing thought: Remember that it is a noble and heroic thing to sow the seed of which future generations shall gather the harvest, and remember that there will be no harvest of great things for us unless youth arises in its might to scatter the seed. It is your day, my young friends, your opportunity, to see that you choose well your path, pursue it faithfully, and let that path be a path to a "clear-purposed goal for the race—the path of advance."

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Mayor Shank didn't say it, so that's all to it. The Legislator said he didn't see any use in reprimanding him, since he didn't say it.

Why don't the Democrats of New York hand it to Alton B. Parker? It's so strange! The senatorship job seems too good, yet they would make him President. Ye gods and little fishes!

Mayor Shank has expressed himself as being friendly to the manly art of self-defense. Boxing is all right, he says, just so it isn't carried too far. Mr. Shank perhaps has been influenced by Jack Johnson, who is in town this week.

One more month of the durance vile, commonly called winter, and we usher in to those elysium of days—now that's spring, when men and all things that move will be touched by the elixir that makes new and glad—now that's some.

Jack Johnson is a poor excuse of a speaker for a Negro. He wiggles like a bashful school boy and looks just as simple. But of course he's who he his, and the agony is endured in order to discover what he has to say. He made a hit when he said that America expected the best man to win.

The tributes of respect to the memory of the late lamented Bishop Abraham Grant is well nigh universal, as it concerns the negro press. The press of the country, regardless of color, has dealt with him most respectfully, the object being to show appreciation for his work and greatness, measured by his usefulness to his fellowmen.

I repeat that the time has come when the negro farmer should be so thrifty, so industrious, so full-handed, that he can live for a year or longer without having to go to somebody to supply him with food, clothing, animals, nad implements to be used while he is making his year's crop.—Booker T. Washington at the Negro Farmers' Conference.

Ordinarily one will think that help comes from an exhibition of humility—that sackcloth and ashes humility. But it doesn't. Even the master of the vineyard in biblical days took from the one of small store, and who whined about his small store. The world isn't built that way. True, enough, there must be causes, or else there'll be no redress. It does not mean complete abjection, however—utter hopelessness in the fact and in the expression. In short and to put it vulgarly, no one cares for a dead one.

If we feel called on to tell the Europeans who we are at home, let us also tell them of the good things the race has done; tell them of good men and women and their accomments. If the picture is painted too beggarly, nothing but contempt is gathered where sympathy, compassion were expected. Human nature is a funny "institution," as Mark Twain might have put it. That old, overworked expression of "laugh and the world laughs with you; weep and you weep alone," is big with truth. Who cares a "tupence" for anything or individual all down and out?

REAL OPPORTUNITIES IN AMERICA.

After a rather extended journey through Europe in the late summer and fall, I returned with the settled conviction that there was no place in the world where, whatever his condition or color, the common man had as great opportunities or was worth as much to himself, as right here in America.—Booker T. Washington in the National Magazine.

Ain't it the truth. Tell it to the paragraphers. Admitting the negroes of America are not exactly at par with the white folk, yet they suffer but very little in the discount. This has in mind opportunity and development. As compared with Negroes elsewhere, in opportunity and development, the United States Negroes are as a silver dollar of this country as compared with one of Mexico—they score about two times.

DID HE MAKE THE PLEDGE?

We are not ready to accept as correct the following report sent out.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—A committee of Negroes, headed by Edward H. Morris, of Chicago, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, today called on President Taft and pledged to him and his administration the hearty support of the 750,000 members of their organization.

"Such a thing would be impossible, for the reason that the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows is not a political organization, and if it were such no man or set of men would have the authority, unless specially deputized so to do, to make any such pledge. We are, therefore, inclined to believe that the correspondent let "his zeal outrun his judgment." Hon. Edward H. Morris is too able an attorney to indulge such "sky-rocket cajollery," and we will not even wait for him to deny the language imputed to him."—The Richmond Planet.

That's just what an individual said about the man who was in jail—couldn't put him in there for that. Well, he was in there, all right.

A NEW LIQUOR LAW.

True to its promise, the Democratic party, through its representatives in the Legislature of the State of Indiana, has given the people a new liquor law. The optional unit has been reduced from the county to the township, thereby permitting the smallest governing unit to decide for those that make it up.

Regardless of the merits of the liquor question, it appears that the Democratic party in this instance has not only made good its promise—it has given the better expression of true democracy in that the individual preference is more nearly ascertained in the smaller unit than in the larger one.

The question, as we view it, has not been hurt by the action of the Legislature. It is yet up to the people as to what they shall have. The people govern, and not some imaginary force set up and called good or bad. What they declare is law unto them. Consequently, the declaration should come from them, and not from other parts. In the essence, it is home rule, the thing enlightened peoples clamor for, whether for small things or great things.

Whether liquor is a good thing for a community or not is another question. It can be fought out as before between the forces for and against. It is apparent that this is the way the victory must be won in either event, the greater sentiment, manifest at the polls, by those of the smallest governing unit, to prevail.

THE GOOD CITIZEN AND THE MOB.

The Louisville Courier Journal apologizes for the lynching at Shelbyville on the grounds that it was done by the "drunks and rowdies." By this it is intended to exculpate the best citizens of that community from the blame of that very unfortunate affair. The apology is too lame. Is it true that the "drunks" and their coterie are more influential and powerful than the decents? Where were the best citizens when these drunks were tearing down the jail and creating such a terror in that town?—Rochester (N. Y.) Sentinel.

It wouldn't be quite fair to think they were right out in the mob's path, no matter how "decent" they were.

The "apology" is a little "lamish," yet we think it should not be "poopoohed" out entirely. We have said many times that it was the headstrong rowdy element that is foremost in the mobs, and that it by far is the lesser element of most of our communities, if not all of them. In our effort at redress we appeal to the respectable citizen, hence would not like to think of them as not existing in fact.

If the good, "decent" citizen did not exist, at times things would be mighty dark. The salvation is to come from them, just as sure as redemption must come from heaven for the sinner.

A TESTIMONIAL FOR EDITOR FORTUNE.

Booker T. Washington is at the head of a movement which has for its end a testimonial for Editor T. Thomas Fortune, formerly of the New York Age. Mr. Fortune did his best work on that publication, and of which he was publisher and editor. The Negroes throughout the country learned to love him for his peculiar ability for the work. He wielded a formidable pen, struck at error and wrong regardless of who or what was hurt.

Mr. Fortune is yet in the harness, and apparently as brilliant as usual But he is getting along in age, and perhaps does not feel the fire of former days. His great friend, Mr. Washington, realizing the extent of human endurance, knows that it will not be long before his "hand" will lose its cunning. It is the misfortune of writers that they fail at the accumulation of the world's goods, sufficient to tide them through a protracted siege of old age. Mr. Fortune was not different from them.

We wish Mr. Washington great success in his effort to remember Mr. Fortune for his great helpfulness to the race through his pen. We feel as he does in the matter—that something is due men who wear themselves out in great service for their fellowmen—watchmen on the towers, while others rest at ease. Soldiers, teachers and writers are of the salvationists that come in for consideration, and who, with the exception of writers, are not forgotten by the public they have served and helped save.

The hard and fast rules of rigid economy in youth and in early maturity will not be read in such instances in order to defeat the deserving of compensation. The writer has a task to make ends meet, not to speak of those on race publications.

Mr. Fortune rendered splendid service, but he is of that unfortunate class that has had but very little to turn over to newspaper accounts. His services were also a necessity, and he has fallen short of the pay due him, and which perhaps can never be brought up, regardless of the amount that the movement in his behalf brings forth. This has in mind the compensation that goes to men similarly employed. Looking at the effort in some such way, the public Mr. Fortune served so well is indebted to him.

TEN NEGROES KILLED IN A CAISSON UNDER THE RIVER

Divers at Newark, N. J., Recover the Bodies of Suffocated Laborers After Accident.

NEWARK, N. J.—Divers today repaired the broken caisson under the bed of the Passaic river, in which ten negro "sand hogs" met a fearful death late last night, and the work of recovering the bodies was begun. The ten bodies have been recovered. The accident was peculiar. The chain attached to a big iron bucket filled with dirt and stones, which was being raised from the river bed by a derrick, broke. The entire mass was precipitated on the upper door of the caisson, breaking it off. This permitted the compressed air to escape, and ten of fourteen men working in the chamber were drowned in the trap.

The four who escaped were working alongside the ladder that led to the second air lock, and at the initial crash they scurried up, barely avoiding the inrush of water. The others fought madly among themselves to gain entrance to the four-foot outlet, but the water came in so quickly and in such volume, that they were overwhelmed. The men were engaged by contractors who are building a steel span for the Pennsylvania railroad's new high speed bridge.

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Webster H. Bailey—Hallie Q. Brown Loses Gift of Value.

By James Ferguson.

Special to The Freeman.

COLUMBUS, O.—Miss Lillian Taylor, of Brier street, who has been ill for the past week, is able to resume her work as cashier at the Northern Star Restaurant. ....Miss Ecton, of East Spring, entertained at a Dutch lunch, on last Friday evening, Misses Mamie Murry, Mamie McClure, Mrs. Nora Williams, Mrs. Rhinehart, and Messrs. Geo. Williams, Rhinehart and James Ferguson. Bridge whist was the feature of the evening....Miss Marie Cooper Belle, of 262 St. Clair avenue, has been on the sick list for the past week....H. Wilson Ferguson, of 270 St. Clair avenue, is able to report again for duty at the Hub Furniture Store, after a brief illness....Rev. Beckham will preach the baptismal sermon at the Shiloh Baptist Church next Sunday evening. ....Mrs. Minnie Jamison, of 1109 East Long street, is able to be up and is much improved....Mr. William Litchferd, who has been confined to his bed for the past week, is able to be out again....You will please leave all articles for publication at the Northern Star Restaurant, James & Jamison, 78 East Long street, on Monday of each week....Misses Callie, Webb and Cromwell and Mr. Charles Russell were the guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Bridget, of London, O., Sunday....Mrs. Hallie Q. Brown, of Xenia, O., while attending the W. C. T. U. convention and visiting friends, lost her purse, which was the gift of friends in Europe, also some very valuable papers and $10 in money. ....Mrs. Mary Cratic, Mrs. Stewart and her daughter, Miss Edna Stewart, and James Ferguson attended the revival services at Sellsville, at Rev. Clark's church, last Monday evening....Mr. Stewart Crawford, of Delaware, O., died recently of Bright's disease. For a number of years he was a band leader. He was superintendent of the court house at the time of his death....Mrs. Frank Mitchell, of 96 Plum street, spent a few days in Delaware this week....Mrs. Lindon, of Springfield, attended the "Billy Sunday" meeting at the Chamber of Commerce building, this week. Mrs. Linden is a very earnest W. C. T. U. worker, and is now working in the cause of founding a working girls' home in Springfield.... A young man who is a credit to his friends, his church and the community is Webster H. Bailey, recently elected as president of the W. W. Lyceum of the Shiloh Baptist Church, which office he has filled for the last few years. Mr. Bailey is a very ambitious, industrious and influential young man. He also holds high honors as a Knight of Pythias, being a past chancellor commander and a lieutenant in the Uniform Rank. Mr. Bailey held a very responsible position as messenger with the Capital Trust Company for several years, being forced to resign on account of his eyesight. He has been a member of the Shiloh Baptist Church and has held offices there, which he filled wth credit to himself, as well as the church. His influence has brought together and consolidated the lyceums of the city, known as the Columbus Lyceum, in which organization he holds the office of president. Mr. Bailey has a host of friends, who wish him continued success. He makes his home with his widowed mother, on North Fifth street....Miss Lena Gilmore, of 223 St. Clair avenue, is very ill with a severe attack of la grippe and acute indigestion.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS.

Special to The Freeman.

The funeral services of Mr. P. Walker took place from the Emanuel A. M. E. Church, Sunday, January 29. Rev. Davis conducted the services....Owing to the illness of Rev. J. M. Armstead, pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Rev. Standbock filled the pulpit and preached to a large and appreciative congregation at the 11 o'clock services....Dr. C. C. Somerville, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, preached a strong sermon to his congregation last Sunday morning, his subject being "The Great Comforting Message."....The presiding elder was at the Emanuel A. M. E. Church last Sunday morning, and spoke to a very large congregation, his subject being "Salt a Saver of the Earth"....Mr. Geo. Douglass, of County street, remains on the sick list....Rev. W. H. Taylor, of Newport News, Va., preached at the Metropolitan Baptist Church last Sunday. Special music was furnished by the choir....The "Pie" social given by the Division No. 2 of the Emanuel A. M. E. Church was greatly enjoyed by the patrons....Have the agent, W. W. Brinkley, leave The Freeman at your home every Saturday evening....The mass meeting that was held last Sunday by the Golden Rods of Zion Baptist Church was under the leadership of Prof. McWilliams....Mr. Americus Nash, who has been on the sick list for quite a while, is slowly improving....The marriage of Miss Deoss, of West Norfolk, to Mr. J. L. Fisher has been announced. The knot was tied at Elizabeth City, N. C....Rev. J. M. Armstead, pastor of Zion Baptist Church, preached a very interesting sermon to his congregation at the 11 o'clock services, last Sunday morning.... Pride of the East Lodge, No. 33, K. of P., installed officers last Tuesday evening for the ensuing term, as follows: J. Mosby, C. C.; Jno. Sykes, V. C.; W. S. Veal, Prelate; W. W. Brinkley, K. of R. and S.; Sam Hodge, M. of F.; J. F. Proctor, M. of E.; J. Blackwell, M. at A.; B. Ward, I. G.; C. H. Fisher, O. G....At the weekly meeting of the Friday Night Club Mrs. Rachel Webb and Mr. V. E. Bogan will read papers on "Emerson's Ideal of Man." ....Persons desiring copies of The Freeman should apply at 802 South street or 813 County street....The Baptist evangelistic campaign (white) finished the work in this city last Sunday. Two of the noted preachers filled the pulpit of Zion Baptist Church while they were here.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to The Freeman.

Meridian colored Baptists had the city, Sunday, January 29. The El Bethel Baptist Church, Rev. W. M. Hicks, pastor, entertained the Ministers' and Deacons' Institute on January 28 and 29. Rev. J. T. Flinn preached an able sermon at 11 a. m., on the 29th. Rev. S. D. Hyman preached at 3 p. m., and at night at 8 o'clock Rev. Dr. L. S. Lee preached an able sermon to a packed house. Rev. F. R. Benjamin is the president. The next meeting will be in April, 1911....Everything is being made ready for the great Baptist Congress which is to be in Meridian June 7 to 12, 1911....We learn that the body of Col. E. L. Russell passed through Meridian on January 3, en rouote to Mobile, Ala., from Washington, where he died on January 27. He was president of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Company, with headquarters at Mobile, Ala....Mrs. Callie Crawford is still very sick at her home in the East End....Prof. G. M. Reece is improving nicely.

VARIOUS HAPPENINGS IN SEWICKLY, PA.

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Hallie Conway was united in marriage January 19, 1911, to Mr. C. R. Smith, of Sewickley. Their many friends wish success and a happy life and prosperity....Mrs. Carter, who has been so very ill the past two weeks, died Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Funeral Thursday afternoon at 2:30, at St. Mathews A. M. E. church, Rev. Dr. Durham will preach....The order of K. P. lodge full dress reception has been postponed this week on account of the revival meetings, the date will be announced later in The Freeman....If you wish to subscribe for The Freeman or get a copy of the paper, please notify C. H. Berry, correspondent, or at Diggs pool room. ....Miss Mansfield, of Washington, Pa., is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Diggs....Mrs. Samuel Myers is convalescing. She will soon be able to go to her home....Mr. Robert Towns, the fashionable tailor, of Sewickley, had a fire at his place of business Sunday evening. The damage to stock was small, owing to the presence of mind of Robert. The flames were extinguished....Mr. Jake Fletcher, who has been employed at the bridge works at Ambridge, Pa., had a painful accident last week. At this writing he is some better....Knight and Daughters of Tabor Lodge met at Mr. Robert Inuze, Monday evening, January 23, 1911. The lodge is progressing fine. Three new members added to list of the Tabors will be at the home of Mrs. Holland, Beave street....Mr. Jesse Turner, of Ferry street, is on the sick list....Mr. James Mathews, of Ferry street, has a little baby which is one of the many that is sick. The writer has been informed that the same is osmewhat better....Mr. Charles Gilkenson, of Sewickley, but at present at Marshall county for his health, is reported no better at this writing.

GARY, IND.

Stirring Times—All Kinds of News.

Special to The Freeman.

A charity soiree will be held at the Dunbar social club rooms, February 3 at 8:00 p. m. Mrs. W. R. Arthur, J. J. Smith and R. J. Stewart intend to make it a grand affair, and are preparing to take care of all who attend....A dramatic play, given under the auspices of the school children at the Twelfth street school was rendered January 25 to a crowded house. It was considered the best of its kind ever played in Gary.... Mrs. Helen Matthews, of Marion, Ill., is in the city visiting her sisters, Mrs. O. V. Martin, J. L. Preston and Miss J. C. Hall....Miss Anna C. Sparks was in Chicago last week visiting friends....A fine reception is being projected in honor of Mrs. Sadie Dungey, who is expected to be in Gary February 7. The entertainment will take place at the Dunbar parlors under the auspices of the Magic City court, No. 39....The Dunbar Social Club celebrated their first grand reception Tuesday evening, January 24, at their parlors, 1636 Washington street. The celebration was a most elaborate affair and was enjoyed by 53 persons. The reception rooms were opened at 8:30 sharp, with a selection from Johnson's Orchestra, followed by waltzes and two-steps until 11:30, when a very beautiful program was rendered. The participants of the program were as follows: J. H. Garrison, Mrs. William B. Owsley, Mr. S. J. Jones, Dr. W. R. Arthur. At 11:30 plates were laid for 53, and a grand luncheon was served by the ladies of the Rain or Shine Club. The menu was varied and of the very best....Mr. D. R. White has opened a first class dancing school at 112 Jefferson street, in this city, to continue for an indefinite time, with Prof. J. W. Coleman as instructor. There is nothing for Mr. White and the scholars of the school but success....Mrs. Sarah Purcell is still improving, and is expected to return home from the hospital this week....Mr. David Johnson continues very ill at Chicago, where he was placed in the hospital last week.

DECATUR (ILL.) ITEMS.

Special to The Freeman.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. King a few days ago and left a fine baby girl. Mr. King is one of Decatur's colored police officers....Last Sunday was a very bad day, yet St. Peter's church raised six dollars to apply on the debt....Mr. Elmer Watkins was in the city last Sunday visiting friends. ....Mr. Elsworth Dansby is preparing to attend the Auto Show at Chicago this week....There is much sickness in the city this week....Mr. Hugh Wilson has been indisposed with a slight attack of rheumatism....The ladies of the Antioch Baptist church held a bazaar last Thursday and Friday, which was a success in every way....The Freeman can be had each week by calling Old Phone 3432.... Mr. John Moore is suffering from an attack of rheumatism....Mrs. Jefferson Jackson has a bad jaw that seems to be battling the skill of the doctors....Mrs. Mary Clay, who was operated on about ten days ago, seems to be improving.... Mrs. Georgia Cecil was operated on last Monday. Her case seems to be a little doubtful....Mr. Moses Base is confined to his bed with tuberculosis....Rev. E. W. Thomas, of Indianapolis, is in the city visiting friends. He leaves Monday for Peoria, Ill....Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Lanford entertained Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bristow at a six o'clock dinner last Wednesday. Mr. Bristow is the leader of the colored band with "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which showed here last Wednesday....The Allen League are looking forward to the convention which will be held in this city April 20, 21 and 22. They are preparing to give the visitors a delightful time. Miss Pauline Nickens and Miss Prudence Gheen have been chosen to represent Decatur.

JOPLIN, MO.

Interesting Happenings—The Freeman Growing in Popularity.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. B. P. Davis is on the sick list and has been for some weeks, but she is reported convalescent....Mr. George Williams, of Posey county, Illinois, has opened up a nice cleaning and dying shop at 210 1-2 Main street. He called up George W. Walker, the agent, and reported for The Freeman, and gave him his name for a paper every Saturday. Call and see Mr. Williams....Mrs. C. H. Knaves, wife of our leading barber shop proprietor, sends word to her husband from New York City that she is improving nicely and will soon be able to return home....Call up 868 Blue over the Home phone for The Freeman. G. W. Walker, agent....The Literary Club at the M. E. church, E. 4th street, is packed every Friday night. Come out and help swell the attendance next Friday night. You might learn something. If not you might tell us something we are willing to learn....The bazaar now going on at the A. M. E. church, W. th street, every night, was well attended for the first four nights. Keep it up and don't go where you are not wanted at the five-cent theaters....Miss Minnie Scott and Miss Alta Hicks, of Neosho, Mo., spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Joplin ....Mr. Johnny H. Williams, son of Mrs. A. Shampine, who runs a rooming house at 204 N. Main street, has left for a six-weeks' trip through the osuth for his health. All the boys wish him a speddy recovery....Mr. R. Gray and Mr. R. Vaughn gave a grand ball Thursday night and the hall was crowded. Everything went off all O. K. Good boys.... The Negroes were cut out from attending the 5c shows at the Auditorium Sunday, January 29th. Good enough for them. They won't act right and then blame the white people for stopping them. Now I guess you can go to church....Mr. Frank Upton, an old pioneer of Joplin, died at his home in East Joplin the 27th inst., of pneumonia....Mrs. Mary McCracken, of Springfield, Mo., sister of Miss Nora Cunningham and Mrs. A. Hendricks, departed this life on the 28th inst., at the age of 49 years. She will be buried in Springfield Monday or Tuesday, note not known at this writing. ....Mr. Sherman Lindley, the popular barber on the first chair in Mr. C. H. Knaves' shop, left for a two or three day visit with his mother in Kansas City. Will return in time for The Freeman on Saturday....If you don't get your Freeman, call up 868 Blue, and tell the agent. Every one is getting in line and ordering The Freeman, the leading colored paper of the U. S. It is always full of live news. Why? Because it is a live paper and it always has live reporters and agents everywhere. Don't wait to read some one else's paper. Be a progressive American. Call 868 Blue, Home Phone, and leave your order and you will get your paper Saturday.... The Connor Hotel waiters are all fine looking young fellows and are perfect gentlemen. Let us hope that this will always be said in the future of the Connor boys, for we have had some fly baby's, sure. From a waiter....The Business Men's League is progressing nicely and new members are coming in all the time. We are going to send a delegate to Little Rock, Ark., in August, to meett he National Business Men's League. We will move into our new quarters this week, No. 107½ Main street. ....Mrs. Luvinia Harbin has remodeled the old St. James Hotel and changed the name to the La Clede House, 232 N. Main street, where you will always find good treatment and she ordered the best colored paper in the U. S. She takes the Indianapolis Freeman from the hustling agent, Geo. Walker.

HAPPENINGS IN GENERAL AT LIMA, O.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Jim Ringer returned to Lima last week for a couple of months....Miss Florence Simms, of Kenton, was the guest of relatives here last week....Miss Ola Thomas came home from Dayton to visit with her parents....Mr. William Hurst was removed from the hospital to the home of his brother, Mr. Joe King, last week....Mrs. Roy McGee and Mrs. Virginia Burns have been very sick the past week....The members of Samual W. Clark Lodge, F. & A. M., gave a stag party at their lodge rooms last Thursday evening. Capt. P. McCown, retired, of the Tenth U. S. Cavalry, gave a splendid tolk on Masonry. Remarks were also made by Messrs. W. Manuel P. Cumberland and J. C. Moxley. A light luncheon was served. The following gentlemen were guests: C. Johnson, L. Bush, J. C. Moxley, C. Sheldon, S. Tucker, H. Haithcock, W. Lowery and Capt. McCown....The Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Paul's A. M. E. church met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Manual Luncheon....There will be baptismal services at the Second Baptist church, Sunday morning, February 5, immediately following the morning services. ....A. G. C. McArnold, reporter, is still on the sick list.

SELMA, ALA.

League to Hold Annual Meeting—Dr. Booker T. Washington to Be Present.

Special to The Freeman.

The Negro Business League of Alabama, will hold its annual meeting in Selma at an early date. The "Wizard of Tuskegee" will be present during one day of the meeting.

President Burrell, of the local league, together with his assistants, is actively making preparations for the meeting, and interesting programs for each day will be arranged.

Under the auspices of the Progressive Culture Club Mrs. L. L. Burnwell, president, a rare treat was afforded our music-loving citizens Thursday night. The stars of the occasion were Miss Simmons, a vocalist of distinguished ability, assisted by Prof. H. A. Barnes, of the New England Conservatory of Music, and Miss Mary H. Mosely, of the Columbia College of Expression.

Under the management of Prof. Archer Payne University is being put in the front rank of schools of its class.

Dr. Muruer, one of our leading physicians, is erecting a two-story building on one of the principal streets. De Stanley will also begin soon the erection of the first Negro skyscraper in the South on his lot opposite the city building.

Prof. R. B. Hudson has improved his residence. It now has a palatial appearance.

Dr. L. L. Burnwell, the pioneer Negro leaguer of this section, enjoys the largest practice of any physician in this part of the State.

The Negro bank seems to enjoy the confidence of the whole people.

Rev. R. T. Pollard has resigned the presidency of the Baptist University, the same to take effect at the close of the present term of the scohol.

By strict business management and by honest dealing Mr. Duncan Irby has surrounded himself with a wheelright and balcksmithing business that requires a dozen men to operate it.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Sarah Patton is very sick....Mrs. Wm. Caldwell's baby is on the sick list. ....Mrs. Ike Saunders has improved.... Mr. David Moore has returned to Springfield....Mrs. Fannie Wooldridge has been sick for several days....Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams have returned to their home in Chicago.

COLUMBUS, GA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Victoria Harvey and her little granddaughter, Miss Eugenia Starr, of 580 Garden street, of Savannah, Ga., are spending a few days with Mrs. Mary E. Drake. They will return to Savannah in a few days....Agent Arthur Greentree for The Freeman, Columbus, Ga.

SOMETHING DOING IN SNAPPY TOWN OF MINEOLA, TEX.

The county hands are working on the county road and have been for some time. The public road leading from Mineola to Garden Valley is in good shape now and looking beautiful. The right man is on the road, so, boys, serve out your time like men and go home....Tom Williams, son of Hamp Williams, is now better and able to sit up once more....Miss Clara Walton was very sick last week, and the doctor was called in....When you are hungry, go to John Jackson's, next door to Bate, Turman & West....Rev. S. M. Brooks has a full line of groceries on hand and he will save you money for the cash....Mr. Sam Carter is now cooking at the Bailey Hotel, and he knows his business....Mr. Matthew Henry, of Tyler, Tex., is very busy....Rev. A. Murphy was ill last week, and not able to be out. ....S. Anderson made a miscount in the days of the week last Sunday—did not know it was Sunday.

BIG REMNANT SALE NOW ON.

Thousands of remnants just long enough for a suit or overcoat, made to order, $9.75. Singer's, 43 West Washington street.

CYCLO AND CYCLOP, MEMPHIS, TENN.

The Pekin Theater had the S. R. O. sign out all last week. Susie Cook, the little soubrette, is making a big hit nightly, singing "That Indian Rag." Edward and Edward are taking one and two encores nightly. Little Willie, eccentric buck dancer, takes his also. We have Airship, the headliner, the people's favorite. Then come Cyclo and Cyclop, who start them laughing and leave them screaming, with their original stunt, "The Frog and the Sulu."

CROWN GARDEN THEATER, INDIANAPOLIS.

The bill this week at this popular playhouse is of excellent quality. There is much by way of variety, and not a little by way of merit. Some old favorites are back with us again on a return date and judging from the almost constant applause, the management was wise in erturning them. Among those on the return list are: Mitchell & Brady, and Ringold & Johnson. The former team has ben reviewed at length a few weeks back, and therefore it is unnecessary to dilate further on the merits of this clever pair. Ringold & Johnson, in a singing and dancing diversion, were well received. The act is free from offensive suggestiveness and won out on its merits. Martin and Jacobs, a man and woman, scored in a singing and talking act. Martin is funny in spots and is well and suitably cast in the after-piece. Earl Walker has become a fixture, and his versatility as a performer makes him a valuable acquisition to the manageemnt. Our old friend, Geo. Taylor, is still the stand-out quantity as the chief funmaker. He has a creative genius that makes him invaluable in stock productions. The chorus is unusually large, representing a bunch of sprightly young "high-yallows" that are good to look upon.

Manager Le Merro has a card up his sleeve which he intends playing in the near future, and which he claims will revolutionize local show business when he uncovers this big "ace in the hole."

J. D. HOWARD.

SULLIVAN, AN AVIATOR, COMEDIAN OF "McFADDEN'S FLATS"

Joe J. Sullivan, principal comedian of "McFadden's Flats Company," is a confirmed aviation man, and was made one under the most peculiar circumstances. Sullivan owns a small farm near Mineola, L. I., which is only a short distance from the trial grounds of the Aero Club of America, where the man-birds try out their different machines for the mastering of the air; and so it happened that on many occasions the flights were not successful, and in all such cases the would-be bird with his forty or fifty-foot wings would find a landing spot in some of Sullivan's pet patches of promising young vegetables, and at other times it would destroy young fruit trees, etc.; and on one occasion so frightened old Dobbin, the family horse, that he too took fright, and did much damage. So Sullivan's anger by this time had reached a high pitch; but on the other hand, he was greatly interested in the tryouts; so, to square Sullivan, he was made an honorary member of the club.

He then proved he was a game sport by purchasing a flyer. He now claims a record for which he is justly proud, as he claims he is the only aviator who has never experienced a mishap of any nature; he has never lost a rudder blade, broken a wing, lost a spark plug, or suffered a hasty descent. So, on being asked not long ago to what he attributed his extraordinary good fortune, he replied, "Well, I guess it is because I have never yet made an ascension."

STAGE TALK—CINCINNATI, O., TROUBLES.

The managers of the local houses are crying for new acts. Brownsville has been flooded with the same people doing the same work. One team booked in this week is doing the same act, singing the same songs and using the same street talk that was used last week. Teams and single acts returning in January are doing the same act they did in November. Patrons of the houses attending the opening night always comment on the shows by saying, "I went to see the shows last night." Of course, they are invariably asked, "How are the shows?" As a rule they will say they are fair. Tom and Jerry or Nancy Hanks are there, with the same acts they were doing before, singing the same songs, which means a knock for the show. "If the performers don't give us something new," said a well-known manager, "we will be compelled to cut out vaudeville." At the Pekin we find Pamplin, the Demon of the Tropics, doing some nice heavy juggling that is interesting. Unfortunately for this act, the stage is not large enough for him to show to his best. Miss Lucy Shepherd never fails to draw, because she has all new songs every week. Garay and Bambo close the bill. This team shows a wonderflu improvement over their last appearance. They have a nice line of talk, are good singers and dancers and good entertainers. The pictures were very interesting all week.

At the Gaither the James Sisters are drawing like a mustard plaster. They have the looks, the voices, and—well, enough said. The Clarks were held over and drew exceptionally well for holdovers. The pictures were good all week, making up a nice bill.

F. A. B. HALL.

GLOBE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

(F. J. W. Seer.)

Manager Frank Crowd seems to have at last steamed his ship of amusement in the right channel. The show he offered his patrons January 15th drew as big as the wek before. One has to go early now to be able to get a seat at either show. The show opened this week with a picture to everybody's liking, followed by polite vaudeville.

J. A. English, the ohop controller, proved to be a drawing card this week same as last. One never tires of him when rolling the hoops. John is truly a clever fellow.

Mrs. Rainey, singing coon songs, is there to the letter. Her new song play that Mikell Rag, by going authors and composers, Owsley and Kikell, is a good rag song, and no doubt will become popular. She also sang the "Barber Shop Chord" different than we have ever heard it. But the audience would not let her go until she sang that dying rag.

John Williams as a monologist, is clever and gets off some good talk in a very funny and pleasing way. John Williams is a favorite any way in Jacksonville. His song "On the Road Somewhere" still takes with the gallery gods.

Queen Rora, in French pose plastique, and the grate fire dance "The Faite of Lilith" with special electrical effect, was a decided hit. Her act is of a nature that every one enjoys, both old and young. We would like to see Queen Dora here again.

Kenner, Lewis and Williams, a trio that's hard to beat, in songs, dances and witty sayings. Kenner is a clever comedian, one that is pleasing. Lewis si a straight man, much different from the average straight man in southern show business. The female meber of the trio, Miss Millie Williams, is a dainty little soubrette, good singer and dancer. This trio is one of the best that has played here, having up-to-date wardrobe in every respect, and the best of all, a clever, clean little act.

The show closed with the Islobe Stock Company in a musical farce comedy, "The Old Kentucky Home," a very clever adaptation by J. Francis Mores. Mr. Mores personal direction in the staging of this one-act playlet pleased the audience in the way he had it brought out. Mr. Mores is a clever actor, singer and producer of farce comedies. We hope his place will be filled by some one equally as good when his time comes to depart. The cast of his playlet were: Bert Hauze, as Uncle Rufus, who, as we have said before, is a clever comedian in parts; Rae Nicolas, as Aunt Sukey, played the part as one would have expected it to be played; Pop Rainey, Gertrude Rainey and Carrie Houze, children of Rufe and Sukey, were very pleasing in their parts; John Williams, as Lazy Bill, is as he always is—good; Robert Davis, as Lew, did all that was expected; J. Francis Mores, as Dandy Jim, proved as I have said before, an actor. Manager Frank Crowd is still smiling. Mean what it may, we shall all see. From all improvements that he has made around the theatre from fresh paint to new picture frames, business must be picking up, which is largely due to the way his clever little daughter, Miss Mamie Crowd, handles those wishing to buy tickets at the box office.

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The Merry Howards and Phillip Austin opened at Olympic Theater, Charleston, S. C., week of January 30.

Mr. Whitney, late of the Down in Dixie Minstrels, is at home in Cleveland, Ohio, 10802 Colonial place.

Paul La Mero, manager of the Crown Garden Theater, went to Columbus, O., last Wednesday on a business trip.

Wilson & Davis, the team with the act that's a scream, at the Central Theater, 16 Central avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

The Glenns, the merry Howards and Phillip Austin at the Olympic Theater, Charleston, S. C., week of January 30th.

The Burris-Haliday Trio scored quite a hit in their singing and dancing last week at the Grand Opera House, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Little Baby Floyd Fisher and Mrs. Julia, are with Baby F. Seals' bunch of fun promoters. Last week at Greenwood, Miss.

The route of J. Lenbrie Hill's "Friend from Dixie Show" beginning Jan. 30th, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Baltimore—one week stands.

The Globe Trio scored great success at the Lincoln Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y. Billy Nichols in monologue went well, giving imitation of many things familiar in everyday life.

Prof. R. Roy Pope, director of the Annex Concert Band for the Ringling Bros.' circus, has returned to Indianapolis, after a week's stay at Chicago on business.

THE FREEMAN will continue publishing the movement of the performers free of charge as usual. Expressions of regards, requests and so forth, will be published at one cent per word.

"The Congo King" played to good business through Nebraska. Now in the Dakotas, having great success. Has an orchestra of six pieces. Mr. Homer Gardener, musical director.

The Wallburgs are still creating a big sensation throughout the country. They are going great in vaudeville with their new act entitled "A Daughter of Uncle Sam." Last week at Marshall, Tex.

The Black Patti Musical Comedy Company was in Tampa, Fla., last week at Tampa Bay Casino, playing with usual success. "Jolly" John Larkins is with the company, despite contrary information.

Carry Neugent, the Philadelphia dancing girl, is creating a sensation throughout the South by her work. She is a specialist as a buck and wing dancer. She is with B. F. Seals' branch at Greenwood, Miss., last week.

Prof. B. Scott, the well known bandmaster, who is now at his home at Mt. Clair, N. J., may take his band out this season with one of the Ringling Bros.' shows. Prof. Scott has one of the best bands in the State.

"The Southern Four" has been reorganized and consists of Tom Cross, Blanche Kelly (formerly of the Musical Spillers), Marie Bascomb and William Greer. They opened at the Hippodrome Theater, Reading, Pa., last week.

William E. Jones, the eccentric singing comedian, is featuring with great success "Gee, Isn't It Great to Meet a Friend From Your Home Town" and "Some of These Days," at the Monticello Theater, Jersey City, N. J., this week.

The Savoy Theater, Hot Springs, Ark., was destroyed by fire January 1, 1911, but Mr. Barrasso is building one of the finest houses in the South. It is entirely new, with a large stage and a seating capacity for a large audience. It will open February 5.

The "Three Original Black Bees," Singleton, Lyons and Lemore, open at Savoy Theater, February 6, for two weeks, with Troy, O., to follow. They just closed in Erie, Pa., and are always working, with the result that their act takes great. Regards to Fred Lewis and wife and friends.

Will D. Norton (white) business manager of the "McFadden's Flats," was in the city last week. He paid THE FREEMAN office a visit. Mr. Norton's "McFadden's Flats" is a Barton and Wiswell project, and he also floats the well known Dudley's "Smart Set" aggregation.

The Sterling Quartet passed through the city last Tuesday enroute to Fortville, Ind., from Detroit, Mich. The members of the quartet are, Charles Alexander, Evans Tyree, Emett Moss and J. C. Payne. Under the Redpath Lyceum Bureau—the only colored attraction under its auspices.

Paul Carter and W. L. Mosley of the Idle Hour Theater, Petersburg, Va., has booked Herman the Great for three days at a big expense. This is a big act by white performers—four people—the first to be booked at that house. The seating capacity of house, 500; steam heated, and has a good orchestra.

The Hendersons, Billy and Beulah, have just closed a fourteen weeks' engagement at the Lagman's Theater, Mobile, Ala., and are now playing the L. T. Swords' time. They opened at the Ivy Theater, Chattanooga, Tenn., January 30th, then to the Central Theater, on or about February 20th. Doing well.

The Famous Southern Male Troubadour Company made their first appearance in Fort Worth, Tex., Tuesday night. The show made the hit of the season. The company is headed by that funny man of the South, little weewee, Willie Harper, the nightingale singing comedian. The Oriental Quartet is also connected with the aggregation.

S. T. Whitney and his "Smart Set" bunch was very well liked in Columbus, Ga., according to the ladies of that city. They would like to see them again. And after all, the best testimonial is like that—you can come back. The good performer does not grow chestnutty in coming back. He gets the hands in advance—a most excellent sign of "growing fame."

Hansome S. Ballard, Jr., the scenic artist, is still hanging to the Globe Theater, Jacksonville, Fla. He is now preparing some very handsome scenery for Mr. English and Queen Dora for their long journey. Mr. English wishes the young man success, and thanks him very much for the splendid work he has done. The two show people will leave for Savannah, Ga., for an engagement.

Outen & Outen, Joe and Edith, have just finished two weeks' engagement at the Blue Mouse Theater, Washington, D. C. Mr. Outen is an eccentric comedian and Mrs. Outen is a clever singing and dancing coubrette. Mrs. Outen says Mgr. H. C. Smith cannot be excelled in any way, shape or form. Mrs. Outen says every knock is a boost; a hint to the wise is sufficient. Mr. Babe Harkum, the sweet tenorist, is still at the Blue Mouse and singing to five and six encores.

Ollie Sullivan, the Southern rag-time piano king and entertainer, who makes sentimental and operatic songs a specialty, is now musical director for B. F. Seal's Fun Promoters and is assisted by Harry Wm. Jefferson, the St. Louis trap drum wonder, who is taking as many encores as the stage. Harry says for all trap drummers to keep out of his way as he will give them all a run for their money.

THE HOUSTON THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The show for the week of January 30 was a success from start to finish. We have the Goodloes, Almore Taylor of the Clark and Taylor team, Lillian Brown Mason, Nettie Taylor, Rosa Motley and William Davenport.

Mrs. Goodloe is making good in her solo work.

"The Turkish Harem" is a big hit, in which Elmore Taylor scores a success.

Motley is a beginner, but very clever, having fine prospects of developing into a petite soubrette of unusual qualities.

Lillian Brown Mason is a favorite and highly appreciated. She is noted for her wonderful voice.

Nettie Taylor is a Louisville girl and is noted for her songs and footwork. She makes good as a Turkish maiden.

John Goodloe is given credit for making things go. He is a live one, and gives the touch to everything about him.

THE RUBY, GALVESTON, TEX.

Our crowds continue to come, although the last two or three nights have been rather slack. Manager Green has been censured for something he was not guilty of. A grammatical error was made when he was doing a "Zulu Stunt," and our audience took it another way. We wish to apologize, and will state that the utmost care shall be taken henceforth to avoid a repetition of the same. The Whirlwind Trio continue to make good in their plantation sketch. Harrison Blackburn does the character of eccentric old man with the ease of one familiar with every point. Mrs. Blackburn and Miss Chappelle look and act the part of saucy "picks" to perfection, and in the finale their dancing is excellent. Miss Lula Duson, singing "I'll Come Back When Elephants Roost in Trees," was a decided hit, and her clean, neat appearance does much to produce a pleasing effect on her hearers. Little Kid Sparrow says he wants some one to act as his guardian. He wants to "go to jail for life." Look before you leap, Kid. Bennie does Black Salome well. Mr. Bud Truely has improved our scenery very much, and works hard all day with his brushes, but it does not interfere with his voice, and the people still like to hear him. Mr. Green has been very mysterious. We are afraid he is going to spring a surprise on us by way of a new stunt. As his stunts are always good, let it come. The Helm Orchestra never fails us. The ghost walks every Monday, and there is no kick coming to any one.

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AT THE PARK THEATER.

Beautiful stage settings, representative of rugged nature, will be a charm to hold many in the new play, "Queen of the Highway," billed for the Park Theater, Indianapolis, Ind., the first three days of next week.

One scene shows Echo Canyon with Cascade Falls by moonlight. Another, the heart of a redwood grove. In the distance is shown the old stage coach winding down the mountain side. The approach of the coach is shown, and shortly the real coach, drawn by four horses and loaded with passengers, is driven over a bridge and into this grove, where it is held up by bandits in plain view of the audience. Another striking scence is the camp of the Sioux Indians, where a duel is fought between an Indian girl and the heroine.

Act one shows a settlement in a stockade, with its hotel, post station, stables, etc. Act two shows the interior of this stable, with the horses feeding in the stalls. Another scene is the interior of an old Indiana hut on Lookout Mountain, where Jess is tortured by Manatoba, who is afterwards burned to death by the cowboys. There is plenty of realism and sensation in "Queen of the Highway," and it is said no dull moments exist.

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"Happy Hooligan," from a new point of view, which will be the bill at the Park Theater for three days, beginning Thursday, is one of the most popular and successful musical comedies ever put together. It has assumed a warm place in the affections of the theatergoers by entirely its own merits. Unlike many other attractions, it has been made the success that it is entirely without boasting, puffery or the vaporings of enthusiastic press agents. Because it was really funny the people have gone to see it. The present edition of "Happy Hooligan" is an entirely new one from rise to fall of the curtain. The scenery, costumes and effects are all new, and in the company are a number of the most clever specialty artists in the country, and the chorus has been selected with regard to the musical ability as well as the personal charm of its members.

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SYLVESTER RUSSELL'S REVIEW.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Living in an age of baseless theosophy, I am about to elucidate the sacredness of art in musical cultivation. We are striving to reach a field of musical progress that will broaden the minds and morals of a newer generation. The Christian Church and the legitimate theater must therefore come closer together as a musical alliance and for the good of the classics as a means of moral elevation. And so, to have our spiritual strength renewed and to escape the vice-inviting scenes of a sin-laden city, I attended Quinn Chapel last Sunday evening, to witness the second monthly sacred concert by Prof. Edward F. Morris. After the opening hymn, a prayer by Rev. W. D. Cook, the pastor, and the reading of the Scriptures, the Christian Endeavor choir sang. A piano solo was rendered by Miss Araminta Thomas, followed by a solo, "Hear Ye, Israel," rendered by Mrs. Hutchinson, a lady who has no soul, but whose sweet soprano voice atoned for the coolness of its luster. "Lift Thine Eyes," a tuneful trio; Prof. Charles Elgar, a violinist, whose work shows signs of art, method and polish; the Young People's Cantata Club, including a robust boy soprano; "Ave Marie," by Miss Irma Clark, and the Christian Endeavor choir completed the program. While comment on sacred concerts has never been general among our people, it will tend to make church work interesting, providing the programs are not too long and tedious.

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The S. S. Hotel at the Pekin.

Instead of a modification we have been awakened by the broadening out of Jesse A. Shipp's musical comedy stock company at Mott's Pekin Theater. Each play is from Mr. Shipp's own pen and staged under his own supervision. The S. S., seashore, see sure or Sarah Smith, Hotel shows that Mr. Shipp has developed from his serious studies of human nature and now looks upon life as a more daring proffer of financial gain in mirthful simplicity. With no attempt to untangle a farce in two acts, but to review the merits of the actors, is all that space will require. Hattie McIntosh, one of the most interesting of natural actresses that time and opportunity have brought out, as owner of the hotel; Billy Johnson, as the clerk, whose work was executed with a dash; Charles Gilpin, who was artistically drunk; Jerry Mills, a dignified manager, and the scenes which brought the refined and finished work of Clarence Tisdale, Lloyd Gibbs, Will C. Elkins and W. D. Coleman into play as quartette singers, was uniform perfection. The two comedians, Allie Gillam and Shelton Brooks, in new roles, gave reasonable satisfaction. Where we can see sparks and flashes of Gillam's brilliant future, his speaking voice will need a course of training. Mr. Brooks continues to improve in stubborn, earned experience, until he forgets art to stare at his audience, and "Cosey Rag" could have been laid aside for another song, old or new. Of the singing numbers, Miss Fanny Wise was easily the favorite, and Miss Lottie Grady, the Pekin beauty in the "Bear Cat Rag," was dainty and exquisite. "Senora," which introduced Miss Ada Banks, was a lively song and chorus. Clarence Tisdale sang a semi-classical number to good effect, and at the seashore, at the finale of the second act, Miss Marie Burton made her first appearance in this company. "All That I Ask of You Is Love," although a little forced in temperament vocally, her voice was adequate and she again repeated her former success, in that number. The work of the company, especially the dancing of Maggie Davis, Ada Jones, Gertie Brown, Ethel Marlowe and Daisy Brown, in the ensembles, was well in keeping with the high standard of the company. The orchestra, yet a little too noisy, was in good form, and the scenery and costumes were quite attractive to the eye. "Dr. Herb," which made a hit last week, can be repeated at any time, to big business.

Manager Mott and Acting Director Corker were all smiles as the large, cheerful audience of first-nighters passed out.

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People Turned Away at the Monogram.

There was a good reason for the crowds which congested the doorway at the Monogram. Jesse and Della Clipper had returned, and the man with the magnificent voice again made musical and comedy love to his pretty little wife, who had threatened to forsake him. The change from despair to the warmth of happiness, Mrs. Clipper's good acting and her husband's grotesque comical finish, was the main cause, but there were other causes. Miss Rose Brown's Belles were on the bill. While Miss Brown has not yet properly placed herself in a female sketch, yet we are always pleased with the art-method, humor and finish of her work and the voice she uses in it. "That's Why They Call Me Shine" was her best effort, but why not get a Rose Brown original to add to her own greatness for a woman who is decidedly clever. Claude Winfrey, a black-face comedian, very laughable in darkey dialect, up-to-date and funny, and whose clever dances give evidence of comic styles in practice, was a warm member on the program. Lemley and Trimble was a new team, which opened the show. Although their dialogue was coarse and unacceptable, they were both clever, and the female impersonator scored on the finish.

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Murphy and Francis at the Grand.

Bert Murphy, in black-face, was the signal for an ovation as he walked upon the stage at the Grand, Monday night. He had forgotten his lady friend, and when Miss Francis appeared as a welcome visitor to the audience it did not appear that she was pleased with her husband's doings at the ball that night. One trouble follows another in an M. & F. sketch, and after her husband's dress suit was torn to rags and he was thrown out of a restaurant, all the troubles of comedy singing and dancing were exposed right there. Murphy doesn't need black to make him funny, as he is quite as funny without it. We will be able to stand him another week if he will wash it off and amuse us without it. Stewart and Grundy did clever and excellent work in their favorite sketch. When Stewart sang a song that's out of season, I told an actress who sat next to me that he had sang it once too often. She hardly believed me; but when the song dropped dead and he didn't get a hand, she saw the reason why we have a famous cirtic who makes actors good and makes managers rich, independent and sassy. Bell and Forbes, a white team, gave a modern musical comedy and singing act as a warning to certain stubborn, lazy colored actors, who want to have a good time and think we must uphold them in their laziness, when all back numbers are counted out. Ora Criswell was good, but her act calls for style and dresses.

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Billy Starks and Joe Brown have joined hands and gone to work.

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The Tom Fletcher Duo, now on the Butterfield time, fluttered into Chicago to spend Sunday.

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Cliff Green opened at the Crystal one day last week, working alone. It is rumored that he is to double up with Proctor.

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Prof. Roy R. Pope, of the Ringling Bros.' Annex Band, was the guest of The Beechums and other friends while in Chicago this week.

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Charles Beechum, the trap drummer and singing and dancing comedian, will be seen with Prof. P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise, season 1911, enroute with Wallace and Hagenbeck Show.

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Eddie Gray, the tenor singer, has written a new song, "It's Hard to Love Some One." It has been arranged by Prof. William Dorsey, and can be heard at his studio, 3159 State street, in the rear of the Frank L. Gale Piano Company.

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Kid Thomas and Margaret Ward have arrived in 'Frisco. Jerome and Lewis, who recently opened on the Pantage's time, have returned, owing to some dissatisfaction with the terms of their contract.

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Bob A. Kelley and Mr. Catlin, America's greatest Chinese impersonator, are on the New England time, and Frank Clermonto, who has been under the doctor's care from overwork while nursing his wife during her recent illness, reports that he is now feeling moderately well. Clermonto and Miner played a new big time house at Dover, N. J., recently.

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Miller and Lyles opened at Hammerstein's Victoria Theater, Broadway, New York, last Monday. The Springfield (Mass.) Union recently spoke of them as follows: "Miller and Lyles are a couple of colored entertainers who are not tiresome. There is much of darkey wit in their conversations, and their burlesque boxing match to dance time is genuinely funny. Best of all, they know when to stop. Even though the audience went riotous over their fun-making, they cut out unnecessary encores."

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Ilea Vincent at the Pekin.

There was almost a riot at Mott's Theater on last Friday evening, when M. Monhamer, the stalwart Turk, failed to floor Ilea Vincent, the Cuban-born German Negro, in thirty minutes. Vincent, who is not as heavy as the men he meets, is nevertheless a most wonderful development of muscular, physical endurance. Steve Angel was the Turk's manager and Harry Weber was referee. Vincent is now under the management of Bob Motts, and is a regular Friday evening attraction. The entertainment is perfectly moral and conducted in a respectable manner, and has therefore been a grand treat to ladies as well as young men.

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NEW CIRCUIT FORMED.

Vaudeville Managers of the Middle West Have Harminous Meeting in Chicago—New Organization Is to Embody Ten Weeks' Consecutive "Time."

Special to THE FREEMAN.

It was the pleasure of THE FREEMAN advertising manager to attend a meeting of vaudeville managers representing the colored houses throughout the Middle West last Tuesday, January 24, in Chicago. An organization was perfected embodying about ten weeks' solid time.

The organization launches forth under the name of the "Grand Vaudeville Circuit." Most of the managers were present or represented by proxy.

The organization was perfected in a harmonious manner, no serious differences as is usual in such meetings occurred to mar the pleasantness of the conference. A oneness of purpose prevailed throughout, and they proceeded to get down to brass tacks without formal preliminary.

The following houses are included in the circuit: Grand Theater, Chicago, Ill.; The Crown Theater, Indianapolis, Ind.; Pekin Theater, Cincinnati, O.; Lyric Theater, Louisville, Ky.; Barrett's Theatorium, St. Louis, Mo.; Gem Theater, Lexington, Ky.; Savoy Theater, Springfield, O; Enterprise Theater, Dayton, O.

The object of the association is to book all acts through a central agency and by arranging the time consecutively, this will enable each manager on the circuit to secure the very best acts to be had, and will also be a distinct advantage to the performers, as their route will be arranged to the best advantage.

The meeting was called in the offices of Mr. Charles O. Harding, one of the oldest and best known booking agents for independent time in Chicago. His years of experience well fit him for the handling of the booking end of the new organization. He was unanimously chosen as the agent. Mr. Harding has perfected similar organizations among the white managers, which are big successes both to performers and managers alike.

While in Chicago we had the pleasure of inspecting the new Grand Theater, which will open in a short time. This cozy little house is one of the finest in all Chicago. It will seat eight hundred and is modern in every particular. It is claimed by the management that the new Grand Theater is the finest in the world catering to colored patronage. A complete write-up will appear in these columns later on of this magnificent playhouse. After careful investigation THE FREEMAN feels justified in saying that the Grand Central Vaudeville Circuit is worthy of high indorsement, and is one of the best steps ever taken to bring about closer and more satisfactory relations between performers and managers. All performers can rest assured that the managers of the New Grand Central Vaudeville Circuit are men of reliability and will deal square with them.

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Murphy and Francis, one of the big Morris acts, are booked through Charles O. Harding, agent of the Grand Central Vaudeville Circuit, and open at the Grand Theater in Chicago this week for two weeks, with other time on the circuit to follow.

The managers on the new circuit can congratulate themselves upon securing such an act as this for their houses.

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Following are the acts which are now playing or are booked over the Grand Central Vaudeville Circuit, which is being booked at the present time by Chas. O. Harding, vaudeville agent, 84 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill.:

Mitchell and Brady, Martin and Jacobs, J. C. Moore, Murphy and Francis, Garay and Bambo, Govern and Johnson, Pamplin, W. H. Bowman, Carolina Comedy Four, Stewart and Stithe, Stewart and Grundy, Lewis and Lewis, Tyler and Hubbard, Original Rags, Sims and Thompson, Two Johnsons, Madge Clinton and Picks, Colored Kandy Kids, The Abbyssinians, Charles Bebee, The Russels, Ringgold and Johnson, Harris and Walker, Mme. Dempsey, Barton and White, Abbie Mitchell, Taylor and Price, Alonzo Moore and Company, Bessie Brown, Bandana Quartet, Earl Walker, Wilson and Cumby, Thomas and Ward, Kelley and Davis, Marie Burton, Claborn Jones, Hayden and Vaughn, Jerome and Lewis, Toliver Trio, James Sisters, Anita Wilkins, J. J. English, Queen Dora, Bonny and Freeman, Griffin Sisters, Claude Winfrey, J. D. Sandifer, and Lizzie Hart.

J. D. HOWARD,
Mgr. Advertising Dept.

GUS E. BUTLER AND TRIXIE COLQUITT.

CHARLESTON, S. C., January 31.—The team of Butler and Colquitt is now one, having joined hands on the 15th inst, at the residence of Rev. Bonneau. Mr. Butler's mother, who came over from Savannah, Ga., was pleased to see her son take the hand of Miss Trixie Colquitt. The reception was in the hands of Mrs.

Essie Whilman Woods and Mrs. Johnnie Woods. They were sorry that the business of Kenner and Lewis and Mrs. Millie Williams called them away—to the Globe Theater, Jacksonville, Fla., just before the time. They send regards to Kenner and Lewis and Mrs. Williams. They would like to hear from the Goodloes and the Two Sweets. They say to Millie, Don't let Kenner and Lewis get full of Jacksonville candy; and don't forget the piano.

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Alex Valentine and S. U. Scott will handle the slide trombones in Lowery's Band this season.

It has been whispered around that Mr. Fred C. Richardson, clarinetist, has been signed with P. G. Lowery. This will make his fourteenth year with Lowery.

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SMART SET COMPANY (SOUTHERN)—Pulaski, Tenn., Feb. 6; Columbia, 7.
RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—Fresno, Cal., Feb. 6; Coalinga, 7; Hanford, 8; Visalia, 9; Bakersfield, 10; Ontario, 11; Yuma, 12.
CONGO KING COMPANY, UNDER DIRECTION OF W. A. THOMAS—Scotland, S. D., Feb. 6; Yankton, 7; Vermillion, 8; Elk Point, 9; Onawa, 10.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Arnte, Billy (4)	Nye, B. H.
Anderson, Prof. Dick	Oglesby, Harry
Brown, E. J.	Prince, A. L. (3)
Clarke, H. G.	Puggsley, Wm.
Childs, W. H.	Ross, Henry
Coleman, F. Merry	Roberts, Homer (2)
Davis, Prof. L. (2)	Thompson, C.
Davis, Jolly E.	Turner, J. C. (2)
Denniss, John	Viney, Whit (2)
Harris, Clemo	Wolfscale, Prof.
Hulett, Willie	Woods, John.
Harris, James	Wallburg, H. W.
Hull, D. R. (2)	White, Bob
Henderson, S. D. (2)	Watts, A. F.
Ideal Concert Co. (3)	Washington, H. B.
Johnson, James R.	Wilson, George
Johnson, Warner	Wamego—Hindoo Juggler
Kennedy, W. Goff	
Lockhart, Carter	Williams, Prof. Eph (2)
Moore, Allen	
Miller, Joe	Young, Clever Billy.

Ladies' List.

Allen, Miss India B.	Reeves, Charlotte
Allen, Mrs. Tootsie	Stewart, Mrs. Pinkie
Jones, Mrs. Rastus	Smith, Miss Flossie
Logan, Miss Laura	Williams, Miss Millie
Mitchell, Miss Lelia	Williams, Mrs. Leah
Passmore, Mrs. Edna	

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The Stage.

Frank Montgomery and his Dixie Flyers made good at Red Mill Theater, Vincennes, Ind. Splendid press notices were given.

The Down in Dixie Minstrels Company which has closed for the season, is said to have been too large for one night stands.

Chintz Moore is styled the "Father of Comedy" sometimes. It's rather antique, but if Chintz can stand for it, guess it's all right. At the Auditorium week of January 23.

Mrs. Alice Meyers, mother of George W. Walker, has sent a mourning letter card of grateful acknowledgement to Sylvester Russell, describing his poem as especially beautiful and touching.

Sam Corker Jr. gave a home-made dinner to Jesse A. Shipp and Sylvester Russell at his Chicago flat. Mr. Corker, who is a corking good cook, prepared the dinner himself. The party consisted exclusively of six.

Mr. Green Henry Tapley has returned to Chicago from Lawrence, Kan., whither he had journeyed to attend to a most strenuous duty of final and loyal friendship. Mr. Tapley is a rare example of exceptional character.

Some one has been disappointing the managers by breaking contracts. L. D. Joel writes complainly about this kind of thing. Tempting offers to jump contracts, of course are tempting, but in the end it will mean carelessness all around, managers as well as performers. Every move in the show business is expensive. There should be but very few mistakes.

Joe A. Hageman, the veteran basso, has just closed a very succesful season with the "Dark Town Swells." This company is connected with the great cosmopolitan united shows. They are in winter quarters at Ft. Worth, Tex. Joe sends regards to J. A. Shipp, Lou Gilbert, G. H. Tapley, Mrs. Clara Belle Carey, Mrs. Jessi Ogdent Lashe and some more. Address 309 E. 9th St., Ft. Worth, Tex.

IDLE HOUR THEATER, PETERSBURG, VA.

Is now playing a stock company of ten people. The house is under new management, doing a very nice business. This theatre is run by two experienced showmen, Paul Carter and W. L. Mosley. Mr. Mosley is also proprietor of the Pekin Theatre, Richmond, Va. Mr. Chas. Mosley, brother of W. L. Mosley, is owner of Pekin and Globe Theatre of Norfolk, Va. The Mosley and Carter combination with four theatres, promises sixteen weeks to acts that make good. Paul Carter manager of the Idle Hour Theatre, sends regards to all friends.

OLYMPIC THEATER SPARTANSBURG, S. C.

The Olympic Theater opened under a new management, Messrs. Harris and Bagnal having secured the cream of colored talent of the South for the house, which is crowded nightly.

Bub Mack, the South Carolina Lone Star, is still doing fine.

Otto Bradley, eccentric dancer and comedian, is still making a hit.

Bud White, straight man, is going along fine.

Dumas White is coming in for his full share of honor.

Roy Arnold, the whirlwind comedian, is making good.

Ietta Webster, coon shouter, and Carrie Kennedy, soubrete, are making a great hit.

Beulah Asbury, soprano, is singing her catchy songs, and dancing.

PEKIN THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN.

(By Lou. Hall.)

Well, it has been a long time since you have heard from us. But we are still in business. The Pekin Theater, which is now under the management of Jeff (airship) Webb, who is trying to present to our many patrons the best for their money. There was certainly something doing last week when Mr. Jeff Webb's stock company of twelve talented star artists were greeted by a large audience. The attraction played last week was two bright, up-to-date musical comdies, one of which was called "Tessie and Hessie," which was a riot from start to finish. The next one was entitled "Miss Lucy's Sweethearts." Mr. Richardson was the whole cheese around Miss Lucy until Mr. Airship comes in seranading, and breaks his record. Miss Susie Cook is making a hit singing "Stop! Stop! Stop!"

Another little feature which attracted our patrons was a boxing contest between Young Langford and Kid Green, which Kid Green (one of our performers) gave Langford a surprising lesson. Keep it up, Green; you're great. The whole bunch sends regards to friends and knockers. All reformers write Jeff Webb, Pekin, Theater.

ST. LOUIS THEATRICAL NOTES.

There are great things doing at the Barrett Theater always. The Barrett theater is a colored theater, owned and managed by Richard D. Barrett (a Negro). This playhouse maintains a stock company of ten people, which changes its shows semi-weekly under the direction of Samuel P. Gardner.

Playing each night to the capacity of the house, giving three shows. During the fore part of the week the company is producing a musical farce, entitled, "Two Jolly Tramps," with "The Strollers" to follow the latter part of the week. Ella Gaines is making a hit singing "The Baltimore Bombashay." Mamie Gardner cleans up singing "It's Hard to Say Goodbye to Some One You Love." Madame Anita Wilkins is singing "The Rubbernecking Moon," receiving not less than four or five encores each show. In the comedian, Nash Coleman, Mr. Harrett made a lucky find. He is rapidly developing into a real artist.

Harry Fontroy, who has traveled many seasons as a pick, is another lucky find. His early training is along character lines in which role he is now making good at this theater. The "Smart Set" is here this week and is doing a land office business. S. H. Dudley is making good as usual, and Mrs. Walker, our superlatively excellent comedienne, in her tasty costumes, is delighting the audiences.

ANITA WILKINS,
care Barret's Theater.

A GRAND OPENING

Of the Budweiser Theater at Macon, Ga.

The show opened to a large audience on January 20. The opening attraction was a one-act comedy entitled "The College Boy's Return," staged by Mr. Richard Simmons. The principal comedian, Mr. Arthur Howe, better known as "Happy," plays the comedy port to perfection. He is ably assisted by a number of clever ladies and gentlemen, who form a part of the stock company.

The playlet abounds with music and funny situations.

Mr. Collier, the owner and manager, intends to give to the people the best shows that can be secured in the Southland.

In connection with the theater is the Budweiser Hotel, cafe and poolroom, and here you can spend a pleasant hour and quench your thirst. There is a first class cuisine in connection with the saloon, where special attention is paid to all patrons. We have private rooms for late suppers. The dining room department is open all night.

Mr. Collier will be glad to hear from good performers at all times, as he is always looking for something new to introduce to his patrons.

The personnel of the stock company is as follows: Rich Simmons, stage manager; Happy Howe, Billy Reese, Walter Brogsdale, John Jenkins, Mary Nobles, Mabelle Adams, Minnie Lee, Evelin White and Pauline Crampton.

The orchestra is under the personal direction of Lock Lewis Lee, pianist. J. Townsend is cornet soloist and Eddie Stamps trap drummer.

The executive staff is composed of C. Collier, owner and manager; James W. DsCosta, ticket agent and assistant; R. Simmons, stage manager; Horace Harris, property mon.

The theater is located at 617, 619 and 21 Fourth street, Macon Ga.

The bunch sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

THE FREEMAN can always be found on sale by Mr. Horace Harris, agent.

GEORGE W. WALKER LAID TO REST

Large, Impressive Funeral Services Held at His Home in Lawrence, Kansas—Told in Full.

The final services over the remains of the late George H. Walker took place at Lawrence, Kansas, January 15, 1911. The first funeral in honor of his wife, Aida Overton Walker and Bert A. Williams, his partner, took place on Monday morning, January 3rd, in the chapel of J. C. Thomas' establishment. Rev. H. C. Bishop, of St. Philips church, officiated. "I Need Thee Every Hour" was sung by Arthur Payne of the Williams' & Walker company, J. Rosamond Johnson presiding at the organ. The body lay in state until Tuesday afternoon, at which time the New Amsterdam orchestra gave a memorial concert in honor of the deceased. Mrs. Walker and Mr. Williams, who were bound by contracts in the usual way with stage stars, returned to their different companies. The body was then shipped to Chicago, acompanied by Mrs. Alice Meyers, Mr. Walker's mother, and two wagon loads of flowers. One design by Bert A. Williams, bore the inscription "Dear Old Pal." The Colored Vaudeville Association gave a wreath. Floral offerings were also in evidence from the "Frogs," the Chef Club, the Masonic order and the "Smart Set company. When the body arrived in Chicago Mrs. Meyers was met by Mr. Green Henry Tapley, who was Mr. Walker's bosom friend and private secretary, and Jesse A. Shipp, who was also one of his closest friends and business adviser, and other friends were present. After the body had been transferred from LaSalle street to Polk street station, the casket which was of purple plush with silver handles, was opened in honor of Jesse A. Shipp, by Emanuel and Dan Jackson's representative, who had the body in charge. Mr. Walker wore his evening dress suit and full regalia of the Masonic order of England. The corpse did not look natural, his cheeks and temples were sunken and showed signs of many days of suffering.

Those who viewed the remains were almost exclusively members of the Pekin Stock Company, who were of the Williams' & Walker company, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse A. Shipp, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Elkins, Jerry Mills, Chas. Gilpin and Hattie McIntosh, who, with Mrs. Shipp, shed many quiet tears. Mr. and Mrs. Sam H. M. Davis, Sylvester Russell, George Williams and one or two friends also viewed the body. Mr. Shipp was the only "Frog" present. At 6 o'clock the funeral party, consisting of Mrs. Meyers and Mr. Tapley, together with the body and trucks of flowers, to which the Chicago offerings had been added, left for Lawrence, Kansas. Mr. Shipp and Mr. Russell were last to see them off, and both spoke in pity of poor Mr. Tapley, pale with grief and the burden of the task which lay before him.

Impressive Services at Lawrence.

Mr. Walker's body, which arrived in Lawrence, Kansas on Thursday, January 19th, was immediately placed in the funeral director's chapel, where it lay in state for the people of Kansas, but was later brought to the home of his mother, and from thence to the Warren Street Baptist church, of which he had been made a member, on Sunday, January 15th, at 2 p. m., where the funeral took place. The sermon was preached by Rev. G. N. Jackson, D.D., pastor of the church, who took for his text: "After he had served his own generation by the will of God he fell asleep." "Ase's Death," "Beethoven's Funeral March," and other dirges were played by Theodore C. Copeland incidentally. "Nearer My God to Thee," followed the sermon, and after prayers "The Gospel Train," Mr. Walker's favorite folk-lore was sung. The following pastors assisted: Rev. W. W. Montgomery, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. E. Arlington Wilson, Kansas City; Rev. J. M. Brown, Lawrence; Rev. Craw and Rev. Hill. The sacred solo "Sleep On, Sleep On," was rendered by Miss Marie Overstreet. The poem "See That His Grave's Kept Green" was read by Miss Ruth Bradley, daughter of ex-Judge Bradley. All the choirs, including St. Luke's A. M. E. church, St. James A. M. E. church, First Baptist church of North Lawrence and the Warren street church had all consolidated, "Rock of Ages" being numbered among the selections. The ceremonies of the Masonic lodge was very impressive, and the magnificent floral tributes, which cast a sweet odor of perfume over all, included the Pekin Stock Company's large offering, which Mr. Shipp had ordered to be made up fresh at Lawrence. Of three lodges, Mr. Walker held a diploma of life membership from Edinburgh, Scotland, written in gold, which he prized as one of his most valuable possessions. The body was interred in Oak Hill cemetery. Mr. Walker's mother, who was supported by Mr. Tapley, took it very hard at the grave. The Chicago actor's wreath of green given in their behalf by Managers Motts, Corker, Klein and Brennon, was placed upon the grave by Green Henry Tapley. The sheaf of wheat given by the Chicago branch of the National Negro Business Men's League of which Dr. Booker T. Washington is president, and of which Mr. Walker was a member, was given to his mother as requested. The funeral being on Sunday, was the greatest demonstration of the kind that has ever taken place in Lawrence, which brought both races together. The Lawrence Daily Journal, which devoted one full column as a tribute to their own "Nash" Walker, said in part: "Nash" Walker is no more. There will be that which will live for years to come—the memory of the man, who, during his lifetime made countless thousands laugh not only in his own country, but his power spanned the Great Ocean and his wonderful personality was felt even across to another continent. Everywhere for the past week in the theatrical profession, tributes have been paid to George Walker as one of the greatest actors of his day in his line. His earthly light has gone out, but the reflection from all his years of achievement lives and will cast its rays over his memory.

FRANK MONTGOMERY AND HIS DIXIE FLYERS

"Ethiopiaville" Presented—The Play Scores Big Success.

Frank Montgomery and his bunch, which got together in Indianapolis, is making good. Excellent press notices are seen, which say the best things of them. Their first stand was made at Red Mill Theater, Vincennes, Ind. The following is noted in one of the daily paperds:

"The organization is composed of six attractive looking young women and five men, and there isn't one member who doesn't know what to do with the voice or the foot when the musical director who by the way, is a member of the company, gets his orchestra into motion. Several of these are much above the ordinary, and offer buck and wing and wooden shoe specialties that are alone worth the price of admission. One of these lads offers as clever wooden shoe dancing as has been seen in the Red Mill and the audience held him on the stage until he was almost exhausted, so well pleased was it with his work. Another offered an acrobatic dance that is not often excellend on the big circuits, and that was given very gracefully. The singing of the company is also above the ordinary, the chorus offering plantation songs with a dash that cannot fail to hold the attention. It is also well drilled and one of good voice. The comedy as well as the singing of the principals, is also well worth hearing."

The company is as follows: Frank Montgomery, Russell Smith, Eddie Stafford, James Brown, Elwood Woodring, Sollie Jones, Maud Hudson, Bessie Stafford, Mayme Brown, Bonnie Clark, Florence McClain and Senora McClain.

The company is a very likely bunch. Most of them have decided ability. They are young people and have time in front of them in which to develop. Some of them will be heard from in the future. A few of them have already made names for themselves. Look out for the "Dixie Flyers."

BY CLARENCE CAWERON WHITE.

So much can be written about the Negro in music and so much about the Negro in musical matter of Europe that time and space at this time will limit me to only a brief account of the subject.

As far back as Beethoven's time in musical matters, the Negro was in the public eye. At that time Bridgetower, a mulatto violinist, created a great sensation by his playing throughout Europe. Since that time the Negro has come in for more or less prominence in the various countries of Europe. At present in France, Joseph White, a Cuban Negro, is teacher of violin in Paris. Edmond Dedee is conductor of opera at Bordeaux. In Germany one of the famous bandmasters of the German army is a Negro. In England we havve S. Coleridge Taylor, the great composer. Of the American Negroes who have achieved success in Europe, we might mention Mr. Harry T. Burleigh, the singer of New York, who sang before the King of England a few summers ago; Miss Rachel Walker, of Cleveland, O., who prepared for grand opera in Paris; Mr. Elmer Spygiass, of Toledo, who is at present singing in Russia, and Mr. A. A. Haston, has been for over a year playing and singing with great success in some of the exclusive homes in London. Each year seems to bring into prominence in Europe some American Negro; especially has this been so in the music halls, where a great number of our variety artists have gained success in recent years.

Europe is, of course, an ideal place for study and travel for our people. There is always a great opportunity to see and hear the best in any branch of art and encouragement is always given to the exceptionally clever person, regardless of color.

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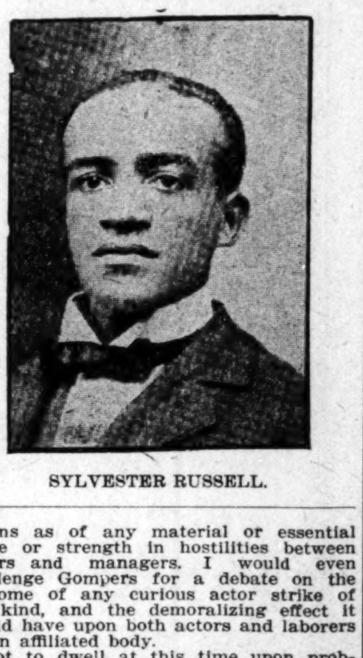
Mr. Russell's Reply.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL,

New Distinguished Member of the C. V. B. A.

To the Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association, New York City:

Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen of the Association—It was indeed a great surprise to me when a letter arrived on the 19th inst informing me that I was made an honorary member of the C. V. B. A. at the last meeting. That which gives me unspeakable pleasure is the fact that I was received with but one acclaim, and with no dissenting features. I not only regard the entire movement as one of great honor bestrowed upon me, but the value of the outcome to me and to the Association, not only means much to the negro performers of America, and the advancement of the negro race, but means to the white rats and managers of colored theaters, that in the C. V. B. A. a great power of intellect is being moulded—not to oppose, but to contend for the square deal, and to uphold all managers whose true American spirit of justice has prevailed in giving every actor an equal chance before the public on his merits. This equal-chance spirit, which B. F. Keith, the vaudeville "Sumner" of his state, originally established, and which the United Booking Association designs to maintain, hampered by its unnecessary weakness in the West, is the will of the people, in which their natural thirst for a variety of actors predominates. In speaking of the power of actor societies, I do not regard the affiliation of professional actors with labor



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unions as of any material or essential value or strength in hostilities between actors and managers. I would even challenge Gompers for a debate on the outcome of any curious actor strike of the kind, and the demoralizing effect it would have upon both actors and laborers as an affiliated body.

Not to dwell at this time upon problems, but to help solve them in the future is now the pledge of my required duty—and there will be quite a few to solve along with other new ideas, which I will impose and advise a little later on to help immediately in the upbuilding of this highly creditable organization. And I would that I were present to remind you all of how my private ideas have been stolen and exposed to the public by the sudden birth of an infant "Bulletin." It is my former career as a professional singer, in being formerly associated with many of the present-day actors of early reputation, that my heart beats with pride in being eligible to this organization—which has seen fit to capture and honor an ex-actor critic, to pose as an eye winker, in the nursery department of the C. V. B. A. Bulletin. Now, gentlemen, I thank you for this honor, and I accord you a tiny reception: Please accept my check for five to add to the rally fund.

Fraternally your Brother,
SYLVESTER RUSSELL,
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 22, 1911.

THE "SMART SET" COMPANY

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DUDLEY DISPLAYS FINE ABILITY

There's Nothing New Under the Sun to Compare with the Acting of S. H. Dudley.

And Dudley lives! Tom McIntosh, Ernest Hogan, Tom Logan and the inimitable George Walker have passed into the beyond, but Sherman H. Dudley lives! Friday evening, January 13th, gave the writer an opportunity to see S. H. Dudley and the Smart Set Company at Shelbyville, Ind., where they played a one-night stand, and it was a treat in the musical and comedy line that a city of that size rarely ever sees. This year's Smart Set company in "His Honor, The Barber," play, cannot be outdone in costume, song, story and stage business of any nature for "the best was none too good for Reilly," it seemed, when Dudley in his excellent managerial way, made his selections. From the opening chorus "No Use Working All the Time," on down to the grand finale, everything went like clockwork, and perhaps more so than usual, as there was much "cutting out" done owing to the absence of Aida Overton Walker, and the lateness in the starting of the performance. As we sat and watched Dudley go through his various stunts, we could not help favor the critic who said "Dudley is the funniest man in the world." What strikes you most forcibly about the acting of Dudley is his clean cut wit and the magnetism he carries with it. He is original in the strictest sense. Each year he managers to introduce some new feature in comedy that makes you wonder where he gets it, and when he will run out. You laugh at him because he is so true to nature, and Friday night he laughed himself because he was amusing to himself also. His latest song successes are "Almighty Dollar," and "You Needn't Come at All," the later being an answer to "Come After Breakfast, Bring 'Long Your Lunch," and voice is good as the average for a "low" comedian. The thing remarkable and away from most comedians, is Dudley's bright idea of making you "crack your sides" by the process of saying things worths aying—that fit the occasion—and leaving out the "rubber lip" stunt. No one of us have not seen the character that he portrays right in our midst, and that selfsame fellow was always the person to furnish the humorous side of life. And Dudley lives!

William Ramsey did a clever bit of acting as the sport and looked a part in costume. He read his lines cleverly and added much strength to the performance. James Lightfoot gave us an exact portrayal of an "old man" character. His "Wellington White" ranks with the best that Bob Kelley or any character actor of the present day. The singing and the acting, as well, of Ella Anderson, approaches and goes with the best in the business. We like her stage business and charming manner of appearance. She is delightful in her every move. Her voice has not lost any of its sweetness, in fact, it seems yet more tuneful. Her costumes are exquisite. Alberta Dudley makes a very fair newspaper reporter, and is fast stealing away from a principle to "stardom." She always did have an engaging stage apearance and her attire is bewitching and surpassing to former days. Julian Ettinge, the great female imperosnator, might have done all he could to prevent any one from getting anything on him in the way of female impersonation, but he must surrender to Andrew Tribbles by all means. Tribbles is a star by himself this season, as he has been in the past. Shelbyville laughed itself into aches at the little comedian from time to time during the progress of the performance. Dudley and he work fine together, because both are humor born actors. Perhaps Lottie Grady may be missed this season, but there is some one who does very good as "Lilly White." It may be that she has not all the required attainments of the finished artist, yet she gives promise of becoming a clever performer and a singer entertaining.

The chorus, this season, is the best traveling. The costumes are pretty and plentiful, and they cause the audience to talk much. Like one great organ they sing in tune and color that "gets the hands" from every part of the house. The present company, in fact, gives us high hopes for the future history of colored musical comedy companies, for Mr. Dudley is keeping open the place long ago made by Hogan, Williams & Walker, Cole & Johnson, and others, and with his great ability has made it possible for two other companies to keep in the spotlight and may go them one better in the future.

GOOD ADVICE TO PERFORMERS.

When you write a letter to a manager for an engagement, and after you come to satisfactory terms, his next step is to make room for your opening. If he thinks well of your act he will advertise you in advance, going to some expense. When the date rolls around for you to appear and to his surprise you are not on hand, he not only is short of your act, which makes his bill weak, but his patrons are disappointed and blame the manager, and feel that they have been humbugged and fooled. If it happens once they will overlook it, but when it becomes regular, then the patrons begin to lose confidence in any billing of any

Resolved, That the Colored Ministers' and all acts that are supposed to appear. The writer speaks from experience. If a performer or performers really knew the injury and humiliation a manager is put to by your not fulfilling your engagement promptly, you would then be more careful. If they were to notify said manager in due him it would not be so bad, but they don't; they keep him in suspense waiting and watching for the act to appear and he is not advised until the day of opening. When he sees he is minus and the first thing he knows and learns that said act has accepted an engagement elsewhere. It appears to the writer that when an act wishes an engagement, he, she orthey write to several managers for bookings. Perhaps they are accepted by say, three different managers. All three of the managers are depending on he, she or they, whichever it may be, will write or will accept all three engagements for the same date. What's the outcome? Two managers are disappointed at the very last minute, they not being advised of the cancellation. Of course, I know there are exceptions to all rules and it's not the case with all performers, but there are quite a number of such people, which makes it hard for others that are trying to live up to their word. I had a certain lady to cause me to lose at least $200 last week. She was due to open at my house on January 16th, having six weeks' engagement. Her contract was sent to her. She signed it and returned it promptly. All this happened ten days in advance of the day she was to open. I began to bill her heavy as it's customary for me to do all acts that I think are box office attractions. She even sent her cut, which I used on the billing matter. I looked for her to arrive Sunday, but she did not, then on Monday morning at rehearsal she still was absent My patrons all felt that they had been fooled. I put on a slide announcing she positively would apear on Tuesday, thinking perhaps the train was delayed, but still she had not appeared. All the time I had not heard a word from the lady in question. Well, to make it short, she has not arrived yet, not even a letter or telegram from her giving her reasons for non-appearance. The very same lady was at first highly recommended to me personally from Mr. E. C. Knox, the editor of this paper. If a performer should have done as the one in question was just embarking into the profession, there would be some excuse. It would be for a lack of experience, but this lady has traveled all over the world and is an old timer in the business, and should have known right from wrong. I merely write this article thinking, perhaps, it will be of some benefit to all performers looking for bookings, as a disappointment to a manager means a financial loss much heavier than one may expect or believe. I used to advertise big any and all acts that were due to open with me, which all performers will certify to. It helps the management in a financial way and it helps the performers in general, but here of late I am afraid to advertise or even put out a photo in the lobby for fear of a disappointment. I have decided to wait until the act arrives, then I'll put their photos on display and will keep up that custom until I see that the performers realize the damage and harm they do by not fulfilling their engagement. I do not send this article as any personal writeup, but merely think it a benefit for all managers, as well as performers, to in future stick up to all agreements and contracts, or advise in due time of cancellation, so neither the performer nor manager will be any loser.

I thank you very much for the space of this article, and hope and trust I have done no harm in expressing my feelings as I see them in my humble way. I am, sincerely, yours truly,

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ROUTE—Hamilton, O, Grand Theatre, week of Jan. 23; Middletown, O., Dome Theatre, week of Jan. 30; Piqua, O., Feb. 6, 7, 8; Chicago Casino Theatre, week of Feb. 13.

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In the Field of Sport.

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Jack Johnson, champion heavy weight, at Empire Theater, Indianapolis, all of this week.

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Baseball is picking up. Practice games are being arranged for, while good playing is going on in California.

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Frank Leland's Chicago Giants are in Southern California playing ball. The season is right and the men are in high glee.

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Wolgast, lightweight champion, will have his hands full of business this month. He will take on three men, including his "ancient enemy," Nelson.

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Walter L. Cohen, one of the most prominent negroes of the South, thinks of heading a baseball syndicate in the South. Mr. Cohen lives in New Orleans, a most excellent place for the headquarters of the proposed league.

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Reports coming from the West have it that Rube Foster will lose at least three of his star players this coming season. Of course, it would be a great injustice to the players referred to in mentioning their names. The teams which will get any of Foster's players will be in good luck, as any member of his team is a star addition to another team.

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The Cuban Stars, a collection of Cuban baseball players, who will visit the United States in April, should do well financially and the players should also be able to pick up a few points about our national game and profit by the experience. Besides the Indianapolis team, led by Charley Carr, there have been several trips to Cuba by teams from this country, composed of major league players, and these trips caused quite a boom in baseball throughout the now independent island. For years there has been a baseball team known as the Cuban Giants, but very few members of this colored aggregation ever saw Cuba. Mendez, who will be with the visitors from Havana, pitched a no-hit game against Cincinnati when the Reds were in Cuba.

JACK JOHNSON TALKS OF WESTERN TRIP IN MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Jack Johnson dropped into Milwaukee to confer with Robert Moha. Johnson was urgent in his demand that the Bohemian go to the coast with him and promised that in case he could do so he would have on the average of at least two big fights a month for him.

Johnson stated that it was his intention to take Monahan and Moha on a complete tour of the United States and the towns in Canada where boxing is allowed. He intends to take two "hopes" across the sea and match them against the best of the fighters in Europe and Australia.

MORRIS A FAKE FIGHTER, SO SAYS JACK.

Jack Johnson, world's heavyweight champion, last week declared that the rapid advance of Carl Morris, Sapulpa, Okla., the young "white man's hope," is due to fake fights. The black title holder declared that a representative of an Oklahoma club recently visited him and asked him to permit Walter Monahan, the "hope" of the champion, himself to lay down to Morris in a go. Johnson also alleges that Mike Schreck told him in Pittsburg a few days ago that the reason his fight with Morris was postponed was because he refused to lay down.

"I thought this fellow Morris was going to be able to give me a great fight some day, but the Schreck interview and my own experience with the Oklahoma promoter have queered me with Morris. These frameups make me think he is not so good."

SOME 1911 PLAYERS—THE GAMES' FORECAST.

The following is a list of some of the players that will come out and season for 1911, extending from coast to coast: Catchers, Brown, of Salt Lake City; O'Neal, West Baden; Watts, Hot Springs; Wells, Colored Keystones; Green, of the same team. Pitchers, Spitball Johnson, St. Paul; Palmer and Alexander, Hot Springs; Port Side Taylor, West Baden; Jenkins, a wonderful righthander, Chicago Union Giants; Gillard Webb, Oklahoma City; Eldridge Mooney, who is with Ed Toamer in Cuba, of Dallas team; Mimms, of Memphis Tigers; Jones, of Macon, Ga.; Berry Blake, of Cotton Plank, Ark., is without a peer for a youngster. Infielders: Hange, of Oakland, Cal., shortstop; Hand, of Denver, shortstop; Webb, 2b, Denver; Johnson, 3b, St. Paul; J. Taylor, shortstop; Clark, 3b or shortstop, West Baden; Kendall, French Lick; Norman, St. Paul; Artie MacDougal, shortstop, St. Paul; MacClune, Colored Keystones; Hewitt and Knight, St. Louis. Outfielders: Brown, of West Baden, is easily the best all-around outfielder I ever saw for a youngster, closely followed by Baby Lyons, of St. Louis; other outfielders to have shown class were not quite up to the standard, as follows: Jones, St. Paul; Harrison, St. Louis; Johns, Macon; G. Mullinger, St. Poul.—The Philadelphia Tribune.

CHAMPION JACK JOHNSON

At the Empire Theatre, Indianapolis—Followed by Admiring Crowds.

It is not best to take all the Johnson dope being given out as straight goods. Very much adulteration has been discovered, but generally after it is too late. To be forewarned is to be forearmed, so whatever the future intelligences may be on the champion's probabilities, one needn't bet any too strong. Everybody thought Jack was harnessed up for a go with the Frisco lad. But it was not thus to be, and now the scanning of the horizon begins anew in search of "hopes" to wrest the trophy from the grasp of the "big smoke."

Really the thing is growing tiresome, while most of the colored people wish most ardently that Johnson may ever keep the prize, some are beginning to think he should fight some and not maintain the "crown" by default. But it's really up to the white folks. Johnson is not going to do the worrying, and he's not to be blamed a bit. His incontested victory is a splendid asset, and to take a chance jeopardizes it. While it is fairly sure that he can whip anything standing on shoe leather, yet he takes a chance of being defeated every time he steps in the ring.

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By the way, Jack Johnson is in Indianapolis this week, his second visit here. The announcement set things going in fine style. The sports and near sports have been out in force, running over one another in the effort to shake the champion's big paw. One was reminded of that inimitable Frank Daniels in the play of "A Rag Baby" of years ago, wher he as the sport, insisted on shaking a hand that Sullivan shook. It was so with Johnson in a way. Those who met him were "worshipped" by those who didn't meet him. O, if they could truthfully say, "Me and Jack was just talking about first one thing and another" or "Me and Jack just took a nip together," wouldn't that be a dream? Well, I guess 'tis something to talk to a man who can whip the whole world—one at a time, mind you.

The local sports, near-sports and the "also rans" vied with one another in making it pleasant for the big champion. Parties were even given in his honor, maybe banquets would be better. The delightful home of Mr. Archie Greathouse was selected as Mr. Johnson's stopping place. Well, he got in right on the stopping place, because Archie has got thegoods and dispenses hospitality very lavishly when he's a mind to. Greathouse don't thaw out to everybody. But he knows what Jack stands for, so his home was thrown open for the hero of Reno with the air of "don't mind expenses."

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They say Jack is ambitious, aspiring to big things not in his line—wants to be of the lateratti, mayhaps. He has parted his name in the middle, according to hearsay, and he is now J. Arthur Johnson, a very proper departure for a man with the means. He used to sign his name as John A. Johnson; that was all right until he played Wellington to the fistic Waterloo. Since that time he has done much toward earning the title of J. Arthur Johnson, Gent.

GREAT BASEBALLL LEAGUE IS PROPOSED FOR THE SOUTH.

There is some talk of the organizing of a new baseball club in New Orleans, headed by the Hon. Walter L. Cohen, with Charles Stevens, the ex-manager of the New Orleans Eagles, manager. Bully for that. Hope it will be a success, and make manager and owner Frank Polambo of the New Orleans, get a hustle to him. Providing Robertson don't accept his offer from the Kansas City Royal Giants, or if he don't go back east, he will help the club out of a great deal, for we surely missed his help last season. And with Wiley, another iron hitter, Handy back in shortstop, Hill on 3rd, Capt. Walker back on first, Wilson on second, Jack Stevens in left garden, James in center, Bartholomew general utility, Ephraim, catcher. And as Sunny Jim will manage Kansas City Royal Giants next season, Mgr. Frankie will have to hustle for pitchers for the East looks good to George Robertson. No doubt Handy may stick in New Orleans this coming season. Should Robertson play with the Royals of New York in Palm Beach, Fla., this winter we may not have the opportunity to see him on the mound, for Harry Buckner will steal him away from us.

RUSSELL DANNIS,
New Orleans, La.

CUBAN CATCHERS KEPT TY COBB FROM STEALING.

There is nothing to it—Ty Cobb is the marvel of the baseball world. Send him to Japan, France or the Philippine islands and he would pummel the horsehide just about as hard as he does in the United States. He gave ample proof of this on the Tigers' recent trip to Havana, Cuba. Ty batted .385 in the American league last season and led the Tigers at bat in the games against the Cubans with a mark of .370, making seven hits in nine times at bat in five games.

Cobb, who is one of the stars of the American league in stealing bases, tried to pilfer against Gonzales and Petway no less than six times in the five games and fell victim of their great throwing every time. He did not steal a base. George Moriarity was the only Tiger who could steal on the Cubans with any degree of success. His record was seven bases in twelve games.

Sam Crawford batted .360, Moriarity .306, O'Leary .280, McIntyre .250, Schaefer .235, Tom Jones .186, Stanage .175, Casey .166, Mullin .136, Summers .118, and Willetts .000. Three of the Havana players excelled Cobb at the bat, Lloyd batting .500, Johnson .412, and Petway .390. Moran, of the Havanas, batted .333, and Mendez, of the Almendares, .300.

Cobb was the only player on the three teams to make a home run. Crawford cracked out two triples and Cobb, McIntyre and Mullin each one. O'Leary, Crawford, Tom Jones and McIntyre were the only Tigers to make doubles in the twelve bames. Cabrera, of the Almendares, was the lone Cuban player to make a triple. Havana players made six doubles and the Almendares three. This is evidence in itself of how difficult it is for the players to place the ball safely for extra bases.

The Detroit players stole fourteen bases in all to twelve for the Cubans. The paths at the ball park in Havana are sandy which makes the going very heavy. The Cubans look upon Moriarity as a veritable wizard in stealing bases.—Exchange.

DEMOCRATIC JUDGE GIVES HOPE TO NEGROES.

The Supreme Court of Oklahoma (Dem.) handed down a decision recently which was to the effect that the refusal to select Negroes as jurors because of their race was reversible error and remanded the Paul Smith case. This calls our attention to the fact that a Republican candidate for county office asked to be excused from jury service because Negroes were on the jury. The Democratic Supreme Court is laps ahead of such Republicans, and here we see the reason why Negroes are refusing to vote for Republican candidates who have the disease negrophobia, and vote for Democrats who are fair. The Oklahoma Supreme Court has made many decisions that came as a surprise to our people, who have always believed that a court composed of Democrats could not give justice to a Negro, but our court has proved the contrary to be true, and that they have regard for their oath of office and pride in their calling as lawyers. A few more such decisions will place our people away over in the doubtful column. How could any of us vote against any set of judges who give a square deal in court and vote for a Republican like Barricklow, who signs a petition to keep Negroes from jury service.—The Muskogee Cimeter.

Oh, yes, give the Democrats a chance and they may not prove to be the bears we have been taught that they were. If one will be real fair, eminently fair, he will see much that calls for a line of action, or has called for it in the past, that has not been so much out of harmony with conditions.

Human nature is pretty much the same, and we may readily agree that when all white men of whatever political persuasion, in any particular section, get together on a proposition, that the matter is worth looking into. It is not like white men to be agreeing unanimously on policies or anything like it. That they do agree is based on something all-compelling, as they conceive it, and this conception is based on actual happenings or what actually threatens. We as a race must learn to give and take, must learn the philosophy of the race struggle. Mr. Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, thought the Negroes did not understand the philosophy of the American wage worker as propounded by the unions. He was mistaken if he was quoted correctly. The philosophy, if it can thus be dignified, is very, very simple. When it is said that the idea is to conserve the American workman, all is said—meaning, in detail, shorter hours, the best possible wage in the interest of the individual, and his dependents at home—Mary in the vine-clad cottage, her sisters and brothers.

The philosophy of the race struggle is far different. Even the howling mob does not understand it, white men that they be, that compose it. Races have ever been hostile, since the days when Atilla and his brother barbarians swooped down on Rome, or Hengst and Horsa fought for the divided carcass of the Briton in the interest of that greater country to-day—England and those near constituents. Clans and cliques and petty nations who mutually hated has been the world's program rather than otherwise. Even the same nations were in factions. "Harling abode by Harling," and Johnson by Johnson, we may say, whose interests did not extend much beyond the family groups, and which groups defended these interests against other groups, and so forth, showing that the early people ever nurtured in strife after having been born to the narrow kingdom of selfishness—the family—finally the nation.

America has not known this kind of thing in that fierceness of which it was noted at the beginning. But America is not without its touch, and while the Negro is the butt of total attack, yet the other races occasionally show their teeth. And wasn't it Professor Jordan who said that wherever we may find an individual divorced of his native heath, there you would find the traits that characterized him at home, be he Irishman, Englishman, Frenchman or Negro? Such being the case, the warlike spirit of race antipathy is there—softened, modified, of course, but there in the essence, ready to become flamboyant at the needy moment.

In the language of the well-known text, if the righteous are scarcely saved, where will the ungodly appear? The point, we hope, is clear; and it will be if we know racial relations in the sense of race perfection, measured not only by personal physical charms, but also by accomplishments. The first are those, as the world conceives it, that stand first in the test. Is it necessary to make application? Not at all.

So we may be patient with profit. Let some things work along according to the notion of those that can do things, in the meantime doing everything that will accelerate and nothing that retards, and we opine that things will clear up considerably.

HOT SPRINGS NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Eastman Hotel will open for the season of 1911 on February 1, with Mr. L. A. Walker as headwaiter, Mr. Charlie Wilson second waiter, and a well-trained crew of waiters. This season is predicted to be the banner season. Crowds of visitors are coming on every train.... Mr. Solomon Young, who has been working in the capacity of secretary at the Arlington Hotel for quite a while, was promoted to the position of third waiter last week. We know that he will fill the position with honor to himself as well as his employers....Mr. L. H. Williams, headwaiter at the Majestic Hotel, assisted by D. C. Harris, second waiter, H. F. Foster, secretary, Jas. Edward, captain, and a select crew of forty waiters, is giving the best of satisfaction....Some of the late arrivals in our city are Messrs. M. Epps, Memphis, Tenn.; H. Q. Johnson, Dallas, Tex.; Will Sanders, Pine Bluff, and Issie Wood, Jacksonville, Fla..... Get The Freeman every Saturday at Will Page's pool room, 205 Central avenue, and Fletcher Pruitt's restaurant, 503 Malvern avenue. H. F. Foster, agent.

JOPLIN, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Bud Phillips, chef at the House of Lords cafe, made a flying trip over to Baxter Springs, Kansas, where he has built him a fine $1,800 residence and is well pleased with the workmanship, all modern and up-to-date....Any one wishing THE FREEMAN *can* get it by calling up Geo. W. Walker's residence, 310 N. Joplin street, Home Phone 868 Blue.... The Business Men's League met in the rooms of J. N. Brownlee, our thrifty colored real estate dealer, in a nice little smoker, where we were served with sandwiches and hot coffee, and added a few new members. Dr. J. H. Williams was called upon to make an address and certainly did credit to himself, and also the members of the Business Men's Club....We have opened up a new moving picture show, and the music is being furnished by Mr. Chas. Hatcher, piano player and music writer. The tickets are being looked after by Mrs. Clarence Hegeman. Everything is moving off nicely. Good luck to Mr. Shepard for taking such a step. He will be one of THE FREEMAN'S steady takers, because he knows that he wil always find something in it about Joplin, Mo., as long as Mr. Geo. W. Walker handles that paper, for he is a wide-awake hustler for news.... Mrs. Pat Moore has gone to Muskogee, Okla., for a short visit....Mr. Geo. Edwards and Mr. Dave Wright made a flying trip to Pittsburg, Kan., via the interurban line one day last week.... We are all sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. A. Liddle, of Baxter Springs, Kansas the 21st inst. She was the sister of Mrs. Geo. Seagers, of 116 South Pearl street, Joplin, Mo. Funeral will be held from the Baptist church Sunday in Baxter Springs....Mr. Henry Larkins, a fine young colored man, who has recently come to our city and opened up a Turkish bath house, wishes THE FREEMAN and its employes to know that he is and has always been, a reader of their paper, and don't want Mr. Walker to overlook him any Saturday.

GEORGE MONTAGUE, OF CHICAGO.

George Montague, of Chicago, is one of the representatives of The Freeman in that city. In his dealings with us we

have found him trustworthy and capable. He is noted at home as a politician of standing and influence among those with whom he works.

NAVASOTA, TEX.

Sunday, January 22, with the dedication of the beautiful new $10,000 building ond grounds for the Navasota Colored High School, began a new era for Navasota, it is confidently believed. The dedicatory exercises, at which Principal A. E. McMillan, Rev. Bowman and many others spoke, were conducted by Rev. E. W. Atkison. On this occasion appropriate resolutions were adopted thanking the Board of Education for their care and wisdom in erecting this most excellent and well-appointed building for our school. The building is of the best red pressed brick, ornamentally trimmed. Within, the walls are plastered, and overhead the ceiling is painted and beautifully decorated. The furnishings include a new $300 piano, and are modern ond up-to-date. The whole, indeed, is a thing of beauty and utility. Monday, January 23, Principal A. E. McMillan, with his select corps of assistants and his school, occupied this building. All are justly proud of this handsome school building. In a short time, it is believed, our present magnificent school facilities will add many more families to our city, thus greatly increasing our commercial and industrial progress. Indeed, the temper of all classes here is becoming better and more progressive, and we anticipate that the future has great things in store for all the people....Mr. Thomas Benford returned from Dollas Monday....The Freeman is on sale at Neal's Store.

DELHI, O.

The Freeman correspondent was in the village Sunday, looking to the interest of the Dunbar Literature and News Agency headquarters. The permanent quarters have not been secured yet, but prospects are encouraging. Temporary headquarters will remain at the same place, Mr. anl Mrs. Cyrus Murphy's, Stop 16. News items, subscriptions, changes of address will receive prompt atention, also orders for the paper can be left. Owing to the inclement weather during the latter part of the winter season, the correspondent has not been covering the route, but immediate steps will be taken as the weather advances, to take care of all business, and will be pleased to meet all old customers....The members of the B. Y. P. U. will stand all expenses for the insertion of Rev. Geo. Lewis's photo in The Freeman. Same will appear at an early date....Mrs. Georgia Ousley, of Sikitan, was a visitor in Delhi, Sunday....Our village is thriving nicely, has a nice population of colored people, industrious, sober and ambitious. We have two colored churches doing fine, one colored doctor with a lucrative practice in the city. Our young men and women are of the church-going class, and are spoken of in the highest terms by the white residents. To make the term short, we have one of the best governed and law-abiding villages on the Ohio. Much real estate is owned by the colored race here.

LEADING BASEBALL CLUBS.

The Freeman Will Publish Free a List of the Leading Baseball Clubs Each Week—Managers Get Busy.

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THE ATLANTA EPPENS—A. B. Speer, manager, 546 Decatur street, Atlanta, Ga.
WEST BADEN SPRUDELS—C. I. Taylor, manager, West Baden, Ind.
CUBAN GIANTS—John M. Bright, manager, 76 Columbia avenue, Hoboken, N. J.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE.

State of Indiana, Marion county, ss:

In the Superior court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana.

No. 82472.

Frank Smith vs. Maggie Smith, complaint for divorce.

Be it known, that on the 16th day of December, 1910, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the superior court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Maggie Smith, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Maggie Smith is not a resident of the state of Indiana, and that said cause is for divorce and said defendant is a necesary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 13th day of March, 1911.

Now therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the callinng of said cause on the 13th day of March, 1911, the same being the 7th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in March, 1911, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

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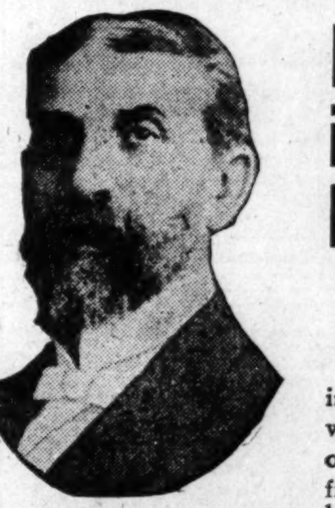

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Miss Stella Rhodes is confined to her bed.

Mrs. Bettie Brown, 606 Hudson street, continues ill.

Mr. John Goldman, of Noblesville, Ind., spent Sunday in the city.

Miss Silla Booth left Tuesday afternoon for Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Grant Clay entertained the Topaz Cluster Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Clara Bell, of Muncie, was seen shopping Monday in this city.

Miss Mary Swingston, 1310 North West street, is ill at her home.

Mrs. J. H. Tucker entertained a few friends at cards Friday evening.

Mrs. Louise Royall entertained the Frau Frau Club Saturday afternoon.

Miss Jessie Mack, of Frankfort, Ky., is in the city for an indefinite stay.

Miss Bessie Lewis, a graduate of Chicago, was in the city a few days this week.

The Kenedia Whist Club met with Mrs. Board, in Ethel avenue, Friday afternoon.

Mr. James Hayes, a popular young farmer of Kentucky, spent last week in the city.

The concert given at Second Christian church Wednesday evening, was quite a success.

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Miss Ethel Mae Washington has returned home after spending three weeks in the city.

Mrs. Etta Black, of Terre Haute, is the guest of Mrs. Hannah Black, in Toledo street.

The State Board of the Sisters of Charity will serve dinner at Fielding's barber shop Sunday.

Miss Susie Jenkins, of Danville, Ky., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jenkins, in West Pratt street.

Some well known talent will appear in the dramatic entertainment at Simpson Chapel on the 12th.

Miss Florence King will entertain the Busy Club, which was organized last week, Monday afternoon.

Entertainment at Simpson Chapel February 12th. Don't fail to attend. You will miss a treat if you do.

Mrs. Clara King, of California street, entertained Tuesday evening in honor of her mother, who is visiting her.

Gleanor Court of Calanthe No. 3 Juveniles will hold a feast at their hall, Saturday afternoon, February 11th.

St. Phillips' Mission will give a whist party at the Dumas Club Monday evening, February 6th, from 8 to 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Lena F. Wagner, 790 Fayette street, who has been seriously ill for the past few weeks, is able to be up again.

Mrs. Mary Miller, 1124 North Missouri street, entertained the Ladies' Aid of Second Christian church Friday evening.

The musicale given at the Dumas Club by the Beautifying Club, Wednesday evening, was socially and financially a success.

Mrs. R. G. Smith and little daughter, of Charlestown, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. Gertie Smith in West St. Clair street.

Miss Beulah Webb, of Chicago, passed through the city Tuesday enroute to Louisville, Ky., where she will enter school.

Master Percell Parker will appear in the "Yama Yama Man" at the dramatic entertainment at Simpson Chapel February 12th.

Mrs. Vera Miller has returned home from Louisville, Ky., having been called upon the sudden death of her father, Mr. George Douglas.

Lewis O. Summersett, of New York City, was in the city this week. He was formerly editor of the Mail and Express at Red Bank, N. J. He was recently married to Miss Anolda G. Gillis. At home Sunday, February 5th, at 56 West 134th street, New York.

Don't forget to subscribe for The Freeman, and send in your local news by Wednesday noon.

Bishop Shaffer, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Smythe, Mrs. Retta Moss and Mr. B. F. Lowe were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Booth Sunday for dinner.

Miss Mayme Clay, assisted by Wm. H. Harding, will appear in "Leah the Forsaken" in the dramatic entertainment at Simpson Chapel February 12th.

The Kenedia Whist Club met with Mrs. Julia Bennett last week. A three-course luncheon was served. First prize was won by Mrs. Mattie Porter; booby by Mrs. Smith.

Memorial services were held at Bethel church Sunday evening, for Bishop Grant. The speakers were Bishop Shaffer, Rev. Morris Lewis, Rev. B. J. Prince and Dr. S. A. Furniss.

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After attending the funeral of her mother, Mrs. James Glenn, who died suddenly at her home in North West street, Mrs. Blanche Buford has returned to her home in Chicago.

Mrs. Grant Clay entertained last Thursday afteronon at her residence in honor of her mother's birthday. An enjoyable luncheon was served, and fifty invited guests were present.

Messrs. John Randolph, Harry Harris, Percy Fox and W. H. Fielding were the guests of Mr. John Montgomery, and Miss Bessie Evans, in Franklin, Ind., last Sunday. They report a fine time.

Dr. Clarence A. Lucas met with a serious street car accident, having sustained a fractured skull. He was taken to Lincoln Hospital, where he is improving under treatment of Dr. S. A. Furniss.

Telephone or mail your local news to The Freeman. We are glad to publish any church, lodge or club news.

A calico carnival will be given at Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, corner Yandes and Eleventh streets, Thursday, February 9th, by the Wayman Helpers. Rebecca Twines, president; A. Cottman, pastor.

Mr. C. J. Walker has returned from an extensive business trip through the South. He took in several states, including Florida. He is the proprietor of a blood remedy, also a preparation for improving the hair.

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Montgomery Lodge No. 6, K. of P., will have an anniversary and reunion of all its members at Castle Hall, corner California street and Indiana avenue Sunday February 12th. A program and refreshments have been prepared for the occasion.

The "Men of the East" will meet in discussion of the subject "Which is the most profitable for the American negro: To emigrate to Africa or remain here," at Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, corner Seventeenth and Yandes streets, Sunday at 3:30 p. m. All men are urged to be present. Mr. J. A. Alexander will lead the discussion.

A birthday surprise was given to Dr. S. A. Furniss Monday evening by Mr. Furniss. A large number of his friends were present. The colors were red and green and the favorites were hearts. An excellent six-course dinner was served. Atty. J. H. Scott acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by Messrs. G. L. Knox, William Lewis, Gabrill Jones, Allen Sims, C. M. C. Willis, Harry Ratcliffe, W. N. Curry, Thos. E. Taylor, Capt. J. D. Porter and Prof. Valentine. Dr. Furniss responded to all. Many useful presents were received and highly appreciated.

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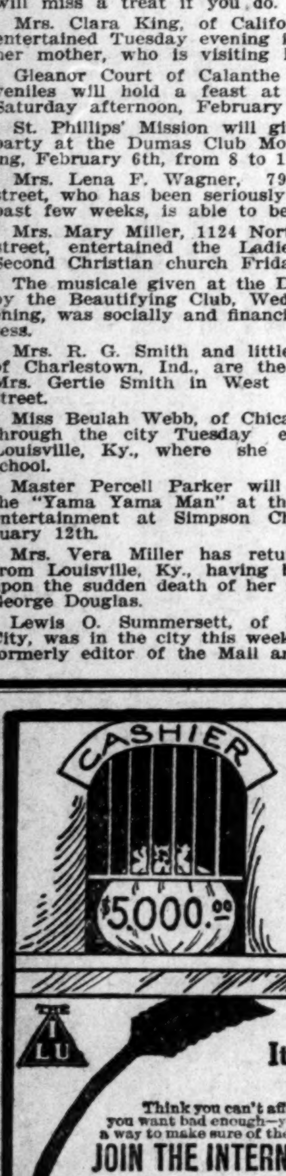
Mr. P. A. Tate entertained Aid No. 1 last Thursday at the parsonage. Special anniversary services will be held as follows Sunday: 9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., Sermon to the old folks; 2:30 p. m., Platform Talks by Rev. C. Jones, M. S. Johnson and T. R. Prentiss; 3:30 p. m., Sermon by Rev. J. L. Thompson; 7 p. m., Epworth League; 8 p. m., Sermon by Rev. W. T. Hayes, of Cincinnati.

There will be services all next week. Preaching by Rev. W. T. Hayes, of Cincinnati. Grand rally Sunday the 12th.



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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Monster Meeting continues to draw large crowds of men as never before, owing to the strong programs that are presented each Sunday afternoon. For next Sunday, February 5th, the management have secured as speaker, Hon. Vermont Finley, of the House of Representatives of the state legislature, to deliver his interesting address, "Why I am a Christian." Representative Finley is noted for the prominent stand he takes on all moral questions, and is one of the champions of the Child Labor Law. As an orator he has few equals, having carried off honors at school in debates and class oratorical contests. He is a graduate of the Tristate College at Angola, and also of Indiana University. The Y. M. C. A. Glee Club will sing the 23rd Psalm and also a Folk Lore, while the Y. M. C. A. Orchestra will give several selections. The special musical feature will be the singing of a quartet composed of Messrs. H. Thompson, R. Chavis, A. A. Lewis and A. Thompson. All men are invited to attend this meeting, which will be held at Witherspoon church, North West street at 3:30 p. m.

All secretaries of the lodges and societies are requested to send in their names and address to Thos. E. Taylor, secretary Y. M. C. A., so that invitations for the Douglass Memorial to be held in Tomlinson Hall, February 19th, may be sent to their various societies and lodges. Every organization both male and female, are requested to send one representative to the Y. M. C. A. rooms on next Friday at 8 p. m., to meet with representatives of other societies and lodges, to formulate plans for this great celebration.

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DALLAS, TEX.

News Gathered Up From Here and There—Savings Bank Declares Eight Per Cent. Dividend.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Penny Savings Bank declared a dividend of eight per cent to its stockholders, which gives the public some interesting notes in regard to its prosperity and progress in the financial world.... Mrs. Mollie Morris is home from Boley, Okla., where she spent six weeks visiting her daughter and looking at the progress that is being made by our people in that State....The various lodges of Masonry held a two-days business session on February 2 and 3 at St. Paul M. E. church, corner Buford and Juliet streets. Many of the state grand lodge officers were in attendance with Grand Master J. W. McKinney. A busy time was had. All the Eastern Stars and court sisters were much pleased at the sessions, and are much elated over the progress now being made in the district in the various departments of the orders....It is very noticeable these days since the closing of the polltax office among the men of the race who paid their polltax so that they can exercise in part their manly interests by talking and voting in the coming elections on things of importance, and more especially since the municipal election is getting so warm by the various parties who are seeking to put this man or that man in the race for mayor, police judge, finance, water and street commissioner. The men with polltax receipts of the race are looking on and watching every move that is being made and are saying nothing. It is causing many of the wise ones who are well up on the election dope to begin to look up the leading men of the race and make enquiries about conditions, etc. ....The war now being fought against the loan sharks is at its hottest heat to put them out of business, and is being hailed with much delight by the many of our people. It is a well known fact that large numbers of our people are kept continually in the power of the loan people, year in and year out on the small payment plan on money which they borrow. The officers are camping on the trails of the evildoers here, and are making it hot for them, both black and wihte, but still evil goes on....Statewide prohibition is on the lips of the people of every calling, and can only be settled by the voters. No one can tell the outcome, for things are warming up in the two houses of the legislature at Austin daily....When you are sick send for the doctor, for we have thirteen of them in this city; and for your groceries be sure and patronize colored merchants. This applies to all the different lines of trade, as it encourages the race....Mrs. Agnes Scott visited in Clarksville and attended the bedside of her sick daughter....Mr. Frank Coleman, a wealthy farmer of Calvert, spent several days here as the guest of his many friends....We hail with the jolly friends of Mr. D. Williams and Miss Blanch McGowan, who were united in marriage by Rev. McPhearson of St. John Baptist church on last Wednesday night at 2812 Trinidad, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Dixon, in the presence of their many acquaintances and friends. They received many nice presents....Mr. Julius Washington, of Fort Worth, is at the Southland....McCoy's Male Comedy Company appeared in the Fort at the Temple last Tuesday night to a large and appreciative audience, in an up to date comedy presentations that pleased the people.... Mr. Feltenberg, of the Monarch poolroom, spent several days in this city. He is located in Shreveport, La....Mr. Quitman McMillion visited his mother in Mineola a few days the past week....Mrs. F. L. Carlis, proprietor of the Hotel Carlis, will spend some time recuperating at Hot Springs, Ark....Mr. Josh Kennard and Miss Lucile Jackson were quietly married Thursday, a week ago, much to the surprise of their many friends.... If its worth knowing you will find it in the columns of this paper. See Griffin, corner Main and Austin streets, for this paper....Mr. and Mrs. George Bradley went to San Jacinto street Friday night, and from there were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Mayes, where a number of other people had gathered to enjoy the evening. The guests of honor were Ike Thompson and H. B. Bright, of Nebraska. The evening was one of rare enjoyment....We call attention to the fact that the Dallas Club, one of the wealthiest in the city, that has heretofore employed white waiters is now being manned by colored men....Mrs. Emma White died last Saturday after an illness of several months. She resided at 2715 San Jacinto street. She erached the age of seventy-six years. She is survived by six children. A constant Christian, she was a member of New Hope Baptist church, where the funeral services were conducted by Dr. Jackson, which were impressive....Dave Johnson is in the Panther City recuperating....Hogie Lew is out for increasing readers for THE FREEMAN....John Harris has added more room to his vaudeville house....One more vaudeville house has opened in Dallis, on Elm street, between Pearl and Preston, with Mr. Reed as manager....Mrs. Georgia Scott Bowens, of St. Louis, is visiting her brother, H. W. Scott, on State street....J. W. Fowler is in the insurance business. We bespeak for him much success....Send the correspondent your items each week....Messrs. Whitly and Roby have remodeled their tonsoral parlor on Ray street, and it is really a place of beauty.

DALLAS, Texas.—Dr. R. S. Jenkins, of this city, presiding elder of the Waxahacie district this state, has announced himself as an aspirant for the place made vacant by Bishop Grant's death. Dr. R. L. Beale, of Hannibal, Mo., is the only other person whose candidacy is known in this state at present. Inquiry at the funeral at San Antonio failed to elicit the names of any other known aspirants. Rev. Jenkins is a power in Texas, and as Texas is not now represented in the Bishop Council, he expects to make a winning race.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

Memorial services in honor of the late Bishop Abraham Grant were held at the A. M. E. Church, Sunday morning, January 29, Rev. F. J. Peck, pastor.... A series of revival meetings are in progress in the city, and all the ministers have joined forces to make it a meeting of Christian unity. Services will alternate weekly at the various churches....Los Angeles Negroes will soon have a colored directory devoted to the interests of the Business League. Crumbly, Roberts & Eggleston are the publishers.....The public installation of officers of the Odd Fellows, and also the Shriners, was accompanied by a repast, which was served to the public free of charge....Dawns and Gomez, vaudeville singers, won favor at a local theater recently....Get The Freeman from L. G. Eggleston, 812 Maple avenue.

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Mrs. S. L. Henderson has been on the sick list the past week....The Willing Workers Society met at the home of Mrs. Ida Gaines last Wednesday afternoon.... Mr. Joseph Johnson is able to be up and around once more....Mrs. G. Marshall entertained the Pastors' Aid Society last Friday afternoon....Mrs. W. L. De Lyons is about the same at this writing.... Miss Aleane Loomis and Miss Dora Guy have returned to this city from Columbus, O., both reporting a very fine time. ....Mr. John Harris, of Pennfield, Mich., is somewhat improved....Mrs. M. E. Hyatt will give a lecture at the Second Baptist Church on February 7, 1911, on her travels in Africa. Everybody is invited to come....Mrs. W. O. Gainer, of Detroit, Mich., stopped off in this city last Thursday....Miss Florence Gaines, of Kalamazoo, Mich., spent Sunday in this city as the guest of Miss Mable Tucker. ....Mrs. B. Hardwick is visiting in Columbus, O., as the guest of her fatherc.. Mr. W. Cook has returned from Ann Arbor, Mich., where he attended the F. A. and A. M. convention, which met in that city on January 23-24....Mr. John Gaines will make his annual trip to Chicago, Ill., shortly....The Freeman can be found at 50 Warren street. Glad Williams, agent.

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Frank McWhinney et al.

Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana. No. 18,689. Complaint to quiet title of real estate.

Be it known, That on the 1st day of February, 1911, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the oce of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State offfi Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendants; and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendants, Frank McWhinney, Mattie McWhinney, his wife, and Miss Ella Dill, is not a resident of the State of Indiana, said cause is to quiet title of real estate and said defendants are necessary parties thereto; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendants to appear in said Court, and answer or demur thereto on the 3rd day of April, 1911.

Now therefore, by order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 3rd day of April, 1911, the same being the 1st judicial day of a term of said Court, to be holden at the Court House in the City of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in April, 1911, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in their absence.

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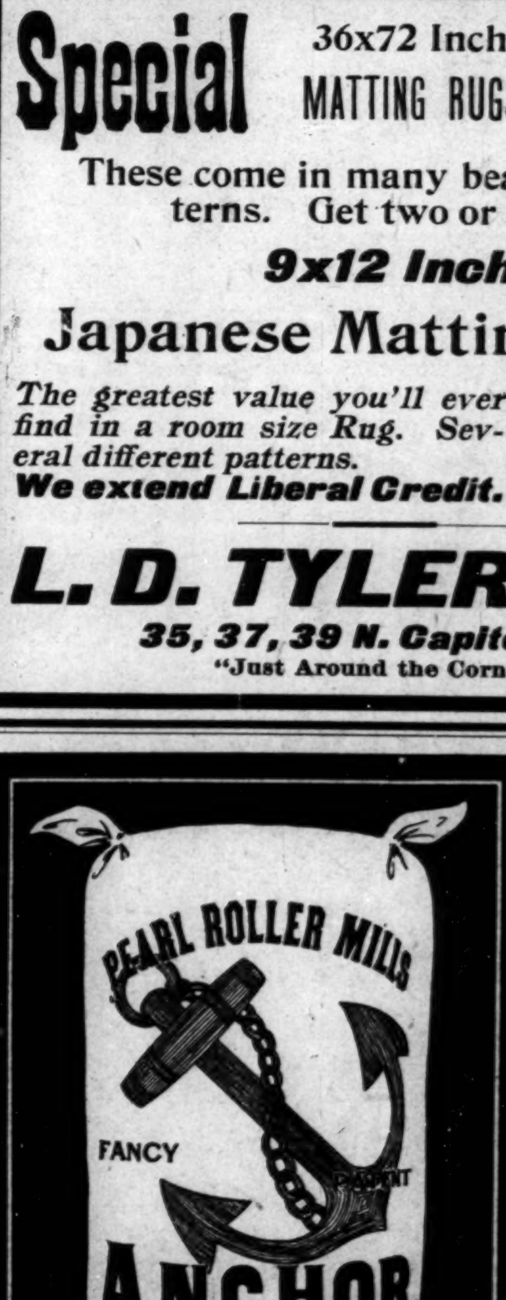

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